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CONGRESS TRUE TO ITS PLEDGE OF NON-VIOLENCE

Never Condoned Violent Acts, Declares Mrs. Naidu

LEFT TO MAHATMA TO DECIDE WHEN MOVEMENT WAS NECESSARY

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5.

"The Congress did not start any movement. The movement was started because people were angry. The Congress did not condone any act done by anybody which violated the Congress pledge of non-violence." Thus observed Mrs. Sarojini Naidu referring to the happenings in the country in August 1942, in the course of her address to a meeting of Congress and constructive student workers and members of the Congress Sahitya Sangan at the Corporation Commercial Museum yesterday evening.

NOT OUR WAR

Referring to the characterisation of the present war by some people as a "People's War," Mrs. Naidu said: "It may be some people's war but not our war. It is an imperialist war.

The Congress resolution did not depend on whether it is a people's war or a non-people's war. It depended on the question whether India was going to get freedom or not and whether and when and it was left to Mahatma Gandhi to decide when a movement was necessary. Thus he was given the authority to start a movement. That was the crux of that long resolution. The operative part of that resolution is not starting a movement, but if Mahatma Gandhi thought it necessary, he was empowered to start a movement. It was a power given to him, and it meant also that we wanted our freedom, and liked to get it through peaceful means and through negotiations if possible because a great general never sacrifices his army unless it is absolutely necessary, and Mahatma Gandhi is a very great General; he does not want that a single soldier will be sacrificed unless it is absolutely necessary.

DID NOT START MOVEMENT

Mahatma Gandhi did not start the movement. He was taken to jail. After him went people, Congress, non-Congress and anti-Congress took part in something of which I personally was not aware, because for three weeks we had no knowledge as to what was happening. I want to make this clear because in Bengal there is a great deal of misunderstanding on that point.

"You go on saying that it was a Congress movement. The Congress did not start any movement. The movement was started because people were angry. The movement took many shapes and forms. In Mahatma Gandhi's name, many things were done which should not have been done, considering what the old man had been saying for the last 26 years. I do not believe that nobody did anything; in the excitement, in the desire for doing something many of them did something to violate the Congress pledge of non-violence."

"I am on the Working Committee and I know Maulana Abul Kalam Azad's letter made it clear that the Congress did not condone any act done by anybody which violated the Congress pledge of non-violence."

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

On the question as to whether the Congress should run Municipal elections, Mrs. Naidu said that much time had been spent in Municipal elections in which Congressmen took part in Bombay, Ahmedabad and Bengal. The election fever was terrible. As far as she knew no definite ban had been placed by the Congress on Municipal elections. She however, felt that it would be wiser, situated as they were, not to increase more bitterness in their minds by fighting elections in the name of Congress. A man might call himself a Congressman, but he should not seek election in the name of Congress.

FREEDOM TO WORK

Emphasising that every party should have freedom to work in the country, Mrs. Naidu said: "Every party has the right to exist. Every party, whether right or wrong, will have the fullest freedom to propagate its views. The views of that party would prevail in the country which would be the strongest in service to the people. I think it is a very great confession of weakness to be afraid of any party. If you are strong in yourself, you should not be afraid; your should instead say, 'Let all parties come. I will take them single-handed.' That should be the attitude proper.

"I have got friends among all parties. As a leader of the Congress I am trying to convert every party to the Congress views. It is a part of my work."

What Delhi Thinks

NEW DELHI, Jan. 5.

Official comment on Mrs. Naidu's address is that there was nothing in the August Resolution which empowered Gandhiji to start a movement when he thought it necessary. The actual words were: "The Committee feels that it is no longer justified in holding this nation back.....The Committee resolves, therefore, to sanction the starting of a mass struggle. Such a struggle must inevitably be under the leadership of Gandhiji, and the Committee requests him to take the lead and guide the nation in the steps to be taken."

If no movement was started it is difficult to understand why the recently reconstituted Congress committees in certain provinces have excluded persons who did not take part in the movement.

Mrs. Naidu's stating that "this is not our war but an imperialist war" is also consistent with the Congress claim that the August Resolution was designed to help the war effort.—A.P.

"Nothing I feel, could be more English, than this Battle of Dunkirk both in its beginning and its end. Its folly and its grandeur. . . . When apparently all was lost — so much was gloriously retrieved — bright honour was almost plucked from the moon. What began as a miserable blunder, a catalogue of misfortunes and miscalculations, ended as an Epic of Gallantry. We have a queer habit — and you can see it running through our history of conjuring such transformations. Out of a black gulf of humiliation and despair rises a sun of blazing glory. This is not the German way. They don't make such mistakes but also they don't achieve such Epics." —J. B. PRIESTLEY

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Bhulabhai Talks; Mahatma Listens

Politics Again On Tapis

Two-Days' Interview Is Considered 'Important'

SEVAGRAM, Jan. 5

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai met Gandhiji again to-day and had talks for some time.

It is reliably known that he again spoke to Gandhiji about his reactions and views on the political situation, making his suggestions. The sitting lasted for about three hours, with about one and half hours' break, which Mahatma Gandhi utilised for rest. Gandhiji did not speak a word in these two days' interview, but wrote down his questions or answers.

Although it would be premature to speculate on the nature of this interview, it could safely be stated that it was important.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai is leaving for Delhi to-morrow morning by the Grand Trunk Express.

Before leaving, he will resume discussions with Mahatma.

Mr. Desai, interviewed on the death of Romain Rolland said that the death was a great loss to international and intellectual world. He was a great lover of peace and goodwill among mankind on the basis of broad understanding. There was a great affinity between him and Mahatma Gandhi. Romain Rolland belongs to all time and not to a particular epoch. In his works he would live in the history of the world so long as man was to remain interested in the higher spheres of thought and life.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari who is reported in a section of the Press to be already at Wardha has not arrived here so far.

SEVASIBIR

Mr. Kanu Gandhi, organiser of the Sevagram Sevasibir Training Camp, in connection with the admission of the students in the training camp says that the selected candidates should come all alone. This training camp has nothing in common with the Khadi or village uplift workers. The workers belonging to the above two institutions, he adds, have been deliberately excluded from this training camp in order to extend the maximum benefit to the candidates.

He also expresses his inability to take more people to the training camp as it has reached its maximum capacity.—A.P. & U.P.

Bulletin On Mahatma's Health

SEWAGRAM, Jan 5

To-day's bulletin issued on Gandhiji's health by Doctors Jivraj Mehta and Sushila Nair said: "Improvement in Gandhiji's general condition has been maintained. Weakness still continues, though it is less. Gandhiji has been advised to continue observing silence during the day, as conversation brings on cough as well as some exhaustion. Friends are requested not to seek interviews till advised further. No more bulletins will be issued hereafter."

Dr. Jivraj Mehta and Mr. Shantikumar Morarji, Acting Secretary of the Kasturba Memorial Fund have left for Bombay.—A. P.

Abdul Qayyum To Meet Bhulabhai

PESHAWAR, Jan. 5

Mr. Abdul Qayyum, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly, left for Delhi after a short stay in Peshawar. At Delhi, he is expected to discuss political situation in the N.W.F.P. and some vital political problems in India with Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly, who is also shortly coming to Delhi after seeing Mahatma Gandhi.

When asked if there was any hope of a solution of the present deadlock, he replied that the British Government and other political parties fully knew the policy of the Congress, and if in the light of that policy, they wanted to make some settlement, something may happen any time.

Mr. Qayyum is again returning to Peshawar shortly.—A. P.

FIGHTING IN ATHENS

(From Reuter's special correspondent, ATHENS, Friday):

British forces supported by tanks and planes have cleared more large areas in the western and northern suburbs of Athens. In heavy fighting on Thursday, the British cut for more roads heading into the city and took many food and ammunition dumps.

Heavy fighting took place in the neighbourhood of Ommonias Square which cost ELAS 151 killed, 72 wounded and 521 taken prisoner.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

TWO U. P. DETENUS RELEASED

CAWNPORE, Jan. 5: Messrs. Girja Shanker and Basu Dev Misra were released from Unao and Fatehpur jails respectively. They had been arrested in connection with the August disturbances.—A. P.

The Conciliation Committee of the Non-Party Leaders Conference met on Friday in New Delhi under the presidentship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru. A few members of the committee enjoying their tea after the first sitting. Photo shows:—(L to R) Metropolitan of India, Tushar Kanti Ghosh and Sir S. Radhakrishnan.

"BITTER ATTACKS" ON BRITISH POLICY

"Economist" Replies To American Reaction To Its Article

LONDON, Jan. 5

The weekly "Economist" replying to the American reaction to its article on Anglo-American relations last week says to-day: "After so many bitter American attacks on British policy have been so gently received in this country, it is strange to observe the emotions aroused on the other side of the Atlantic by a single attempt to state the British side of the argument. Nevertheless, it is all to the good that the British case is being heard, even if heat is engendered in the first stages of the process.

Most American comments on the article have unfortunately misconstrued its purpose as being to attack American policy. They have missed its real point which was to enquire to what extent British policy required to be adjusted in the light of evident trends of American policy.

It is also necessary to deny the connection some American commentators have drawn between the views of the "Economist" and those of the Ministry of Information. Mr. Bracken ceased to sit on the Board of the "Economist" Newspaper Limited on taking office three years ago. And in any event, by the constitution of the paper, the directors are entirely relieved of any responsibility for the policy of the paper. The Minister (it should be unnecessary to say) had no knowledge of the "Economist's" views before their publication and the "Economist" has no idea of what the Minister's views may be."—Reuter.

"GHOST" DISEASE IN ASSAM

SHILLONG, Jan. 5: The hospital authorities in Assam have another disease to fight—ghost trouble.

Patients in a fifty-bed Government hospital at Aniyachong, where a number of people died of malaria last year, complain that they are troubled by a ghost every night. Some of them have, in fact, left the hospital.

Unable to trace the ghost, the local Relief Committee have asked the authorities to have the hospital shifted to another site. They say that the site is unhealthy.—A. P.

Soviet Recognises Polish Provisional Govt. In Lublin

MOSCOW, Jan 5: The Moscow radio announces that the Soviet Government has recognised the Polish Provisional Government in Lublin.

From Reuter's special correspondent, MOSCOW, Friday:

The great tank and infantry battle raging between Hitler's Relief Columns and Marshal Tolbukhin's troops north-west of Budapest has now reached its tensest stage. It now looks like now or never, for this mighty German panzer army who had been secretly massing behind the Austrian border, ever since the Central Hungarian front virtually collapsed. Tanks and men are being staked on a counter-offensive scale. The Germans have already wedged themselves inside the deep Soviet arc griping the Hungarian capital from the west. Now they are battling to split that arc in a decisive sector and sweep through to the north-western outskirts of Buda. All through the night, German tanks crashed along the Danube Valley hills and the steady roar of the Soviet artillery equalled the thunder of the other battle through the capital's streets.

The Germans in Budapest are apparently taking on a new lease of life in response to a barrage of radio appeals from the "Red Army," trying to break through to the city. They are staging savage counter-attacks in a number of sectors, but the latest front report says that the Soviets have considerably improved their positions.

The German tank force battering at the Soviet lines north-west of Budapest is believed to have gained some ground in the past 24 hours. Red Army troops are gritting their teeth and hanging on grimly as the Wehrmacht hurricane rises to full force.—Reuter.

NO SIGN OF GERMAN WITHDRAWAL

There is absolutely no sign of any German withdrawal from the Ardennes salient. Unless the Allies can spring a surprise, it seems they will have a toughest slogging to drive the Germans from the bulge or pinch it off, says Reuter's special correspondent on the Western Front.

SHAEF, (Paris), Jan. 5: It is officially announced that Field-Marshal Montgomery has taken full command of all Allied armies on the north of the Ardennes bulge including the Americans. General Omar Bradley is in command of all troops on the south of the bulge.

British tanks and infantry have now been thrown into the battle of the Ardennes salient. First United States army fronts have been broadened considerably and strong German attacks around Bastogne again broken up.

General Hodges' attacks have been broadened to include Arbre Fontaine in the east and Amonies in the west. The front is now about 21 miles long. The advance is making good progress despite poor weather which is hindering the ground forces and blinding air forces over the battlefield.

OVER 10,000 PRISONERS TAKEN

LONDON, Jan. 5: It is announced at SHAEF that the United States First Army captured 10,070 prisoners between December 16 (beginning of the Ardennes battle) and January 3.

From Reuter's special correspondent on the Western Front (Fr.day):

British troops have advanced 1,500 yards over difficult ground and heavy minefields and are now fighting south of Marche.

American forces are now within 1,000 yards of Lierneux.

British armour and infantry cooperating in a new attack by the United States First Army against the Rundstedt salient, are fighting 10 miles south-west of Grandmenil around Rendux and Surwaha.

It is disclosed that only slight advances were made yesterday against the white clad German troops holding firm in the main line stretching south-west from Grandmenil after the Americans captured the village of Befie. The Germans are well dug in everywhere and staging local counter-attacks.—Reuter.

COMMOTION AT CITY CINEMA

About A Dozen Injured In Lathi Charge

BOMBAY, Friday.

The locality of the Central Cinema was the scene of considerable commotion to-night at about 10 o'clock when lathi charge was made on a disorderly crowd at the ticket window. Furniture in a nearby restaurant was smashed and most of the shop-keepers in the locality getting panicky closed their shops and ran pell-mell. About a dozen persons received injuries and were removed to the hospital.

K. B. MENON JAILED FOR TEN YEARS

Madras High Court Quashes Acquittal Orders Of Malabar Judge In 'Keezheriyur Bomb Case'

MADRAS, January 5:—At the Madras High Court today Mr. Justice Byers delivering judgment in an appeal in "Keezheriyur Bomb Case" quashed the acquittal order of the Sessions Judge, South Malabar, and sentenced Dr. K. B. Menon, Secretary, All-India Civil Liberties Union, and three others to ten years' rigorous imprisonment and another to seven years' imprisonment on charges of criminal conspiracy to commit various acts of sabotage.

His Lordship dismissed the appeals preferred by 15 other accused involved in the same case who were sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment each by the Sessions Judge.

Twenty-seven accused stood charged in this case before the Session Judge with criminal conspiracy at Perok, Calicut, Keezheriyur and other places in South Malabar between August, 1942, and May, 1943, to cause damage by various means to railways, Government buildings, bridges and culverts. The Sessions Judge acquitted 12 of them and the Crown preferred an appeal against the acquittal order in respect of Dr. K. B. Menon and four others.

Allowing the Crown appeal Mr. Justice Byers remarked that there was little to choose between others and the first four accused who undoubtedly left Bombay in order to take a prominent part in the local agitation and organisation of a programme of violence for which they were liable for enhanced punishment.

In regard to the appeal preferred by those convicted by the Sessions Judge, Mr. Justice Byers after elaboratingly analysing the evidence, said that there was sufficient evidence to prove the guilt of the accused and he, therefore, dismissed the appeal.—A. P.

CHURCHILL BACK FROM FRANCE

LONDON, Jan. 5

Prime Minister Churchill is back from a short visit to France where he saw Generals Eisenhower, Montgomery and De Gaulle.—Reuter.

Fresh Burdens For Jap Tax-payer

TOKYO, Jan. 5: The Japanese News Agency said to-day that increased taxes of approximately 1,700 million yen (about a hundred million sterling) in the next fiscal year have been provided for in a new tax bill the outline of which has been approved by the Japanese Cabinet.—Reuter.

KARACHI, Jan. 5: Sir Gurunath Bewoor and Sir Frederick Tymms left for New Delhi to-day.—A. P.

COINS FROM "HEAVEN" RAIN IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5: Calcutta today had a "shower" of Indian coins for a full one hour. An amazed crowd collected near the north gate of Government House, where the money fell, and helped themselves to it. Who dropped the coins is a mystery.

Some believe that the coins came down from the "heavens", while some others think that they were stolen coins dropped by monkeys from rows of trees flanking Government House. Some people attribute the "money shower" to someone having done it in a playful mood, hiding somewhere in the premises opposite.—A. P.

FOOD RIOT ARRESTS

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Jan 5: A message of Junagadh states that 21 men are arrested in Bantwa for taking leadership of hungry people in the act of looting grain of the approximate value of Rs. 700. Police are making inquiries.

Couple On Hunger-Strike Against Baroda Food Policy

Ambalal Gandhi, prominent worker of Baroda State, has gone on fast against the State's policy regarding food and especially acute shortage of food prevailing in Kanjan, says a letter of a prominent worker of Baroda.

His wife Maniben has also gone on fast since five days.

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Planning For Agriculture

Prof. Anjaria's Plea For Peasant Proprietorship

BOMBAY, Friday.

Speaking on "planning for agriculture" under the auspices of the Freedom Group this evening, Prof. J. J. Anjaria said that the manifold evils under which the agricultural population of India suffered to-day would not disappear if we interpreted planning as mere drawing up of estimates "on the lines of Company Director's reports."

"The very first requirement of agricultural planning", declared the speaker "is that India should be treated as one economic unit. You will never be able to raise the productivity of the land and improve the income of the masses without fulfilling this requirement." It was necessary that Government of India should take responsibility for initiating policies. The execution of these by the provinces should be supervised by the Government of India. An effective agricultural planning for the country presupposed a people's government.

The speaker said that there should be three objectives for planning for agriculture. Firstly, to make the country self-sufficient in the matter of food supplies. Secondly to improve agriculture so that the raw materials needed for fulfilling India's industrial requirements in post-war period may be produced. Thirdly, to grow a certain amount of surplus of food crops and non-food crops which could be exported in exchange for machinery. It would be impossible to achieve these objectives, said the lecturer, unless basic changes were introduced in the agricultural framework of India.

SMALL & SCATTERED HOLDINGS

Agricultural productivity of India was the lowest in the world. A long list of evils was being quoted everywhere to explain this. Lack of good seed, lack of good manure, poor transport, poor live-stock, ignorance and conservatism among agriculturists were included in this list. Holdings were small and scattered. Four-fifths of the total area under cultivation depended on rainfall. Government had many plans for improving the situation but they lacked in appreciation of basic factors. A vital problem like the problem of land tenure was left out of the scope of the Royal Commission on agriculture. Plans were being formulated without taking into account one of the greatest of evils—an inefficient and corrupt land system.

Dwelling in detail on the inefficiency of land system, Prof. Anjaria pointed out that 75 per cent of the land was cultivated by people who had no direct interest in the land. Tenants, sub-tenants and agricultural labourers worked on a system which did not give them sufficient food for the year. In some parts of India there were as many as 60 links between the land-holder and agricultural labourer. Absentee landlordism to a large extent on the one hand and exploitation of tenantry on the other had led to many evils in the agricultural sphere. Landlords seemed to be just content with getting sufficient income for the year.

SERIOUS HANDICAP

Another danger was that lands were passing quickly from cultivating classes to non-cultivating classes. A mere inefficient class of agriculturists with no tradition was taking to the land. This factor was a serious handicap to improvement in productivity of land. The lecturer sounded a note of warning against thinking in terms of a mere technological approach to the problems as was being done by the Government of India. The real need was for a socio-economic approach.

That the prime need was for a revision of land tenure system had to be admitted by every serious student of the agricultural problems of India. Some students would suggest the copying of the Russian model as a solution to the evils of India.

"Ideals apart", said Prof. Anjaria "collective system on Russian lines is unthinkable for India under the present conditions." There were countries which had adopted commercial farming and large-scale mechanisation. But these were not acceptable to the lecturer because they would mean large-scale unemployment.

Giving his own solution to the evils, Prof. Anjaria suggested that the farmer should be made the owner of the land. "Give the cultivator a plot of land" he said "which he can cultivate economically and from which he can get a subsistence. In simple words I suggest peasant proprietorship. This will no doubt raise difficulties for the ablest of reformers but we have to find remedies for them."

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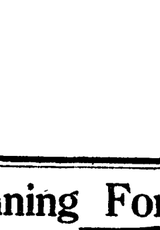

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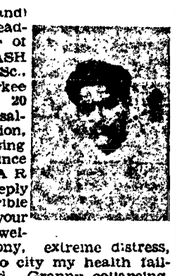

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Black Market In Britain

LONDON, Jan. 4

Sir Charles Tegart, who is famous for his anti-crime work in India and Palestine, has undertaken a great new drive against the black market in Britain, reports the "Daily Mail" to-day. Sir Charles has been given a staff of ex-army officers who are intelligence experts. Their names are secret. His organisation tackles only the biggest deals which, if left alone, would affect food rationing. The "Daily Mail" says that black marketeering in Britain has, to-day, assumed "the proportions of a national scandal." The biggest of the black market racketeers are former share pushers. Since the Treasury banned bank notes over £10 as legal tender, black marketeers use diamonds as "new currency". According to the paper every black marketeer of any consequence now carries a supply of diamonds, many of which are the proceeds of robberies.—Reuter.

Muslims In Russia

MOSCOW, Jan. 4: Mufti Abdurrahman Ibn Zainulla Rassuli, leader of the Muslims in Russia, declared in an interview to-day that Russian Muslims had donated more than 10,000,000 roubles to build a column of tanks and had sent several trainloads of gifts to the Red Army at the front.

"In Tsarist Russia", said the Mufti "Muslims were not allowed to open religious schools and every Christian who became a Muslim was exiled without exception. The Soviet Government have given the Muslims the same rights as are enjoyed by all the other Soviet citizens. Before the Revolution, only ten per cent of the Muslims could read and write. Now Muslims are able to study not only in secondary schools, but in higher educational institutions and occupy any post in the State. There is no longer any illiterate among Russian Muslims."

A group of Muslims from Ufa, now on their way to Mecca, are being given every assistance by the Soviet Government, the Mufti added.—Reuter.

All-India Students' Federation

The 8th Conference of the All-India Students' Federation, Calcutta, elected the following office-bearers: General Secretary: Satpal Dang; Joint Secretaries: Nitai Ganguly (Assam), Ramen Bannerji (Bengal), Harish Tiwari (U.P.), Arun Bose (Bombay) and S. Parmeshwaran (Madras).

32 of the 45 delegates elected from Bombay attended the 8th Annual Conference of the All-India Students' Federation at Calcutta during the Xmas vacations. The following were elected to the Council of the All-India Students' Federation: M. A. Wadud Khan, Susheela Madiman, Kamal Choudhary, Tara Ranadive, S. M. Bhatt, S. C. Jagad, M. A. Wadud Khan and Sushila Madiman were elected to the new Working Committee of the A.I.S.F.

To meet the convenience of the trade, the Bombay Government has amended the Bombay Charcoal Trade Licensing Order to provide that, in the Districts, the Collectors may issue notifications fixing prices after approval by the Government.

EX-KHALIFA'S BODY

Princess Of Berar's Envoy Flies To Paris To Take It To Final Resting Place

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Jan. 5.—It is learnt that Khan Bahadur Ashfaque Ahmed has flown to Paris under instructions from Her Highness the Princess of Berar for arranging the transfer of the embalmed body of late Sultan Abdul Majeed, her father, either to London or to Lisbon whichever transport facilities for its final removal to the place of burial can easily be provided.

It is reported that Her Highness on hearing from the Khan Bahadur may herself fly to Europe to receive the dead body somewhere half way and meet her mother also who will accompany the corpse. It is further learnt that Her Highness' brother who is in Egypt will meet her on the way.

It is not yet settled where the burial will take place because it is yet to be found out whether the late Sultan expressed any wish to this effect.

The choice for the final resting place of the ex-Khalifa can only fall on some place in Turkey, Medina or Hyderabad.

The question will, however, be decided after Her Highness has the benefit of knowing the mind of her mother and brother in this respect.—United Press

ALLAHBUX'S BROTHER IN WINNING POSITION

KARACHI, Jan. 5.—Polling figures in the Shikarpur by-election of the Sind Assembly show that Mr. Moulabux, brother of the late Mr. Allahbux, is likely to win defeating Pir Rahim Shah, brother of the late Pir Pagaro, for whom the Muslim League canvassed following the withdrawal of their own nominee.—United Press.

CALCUTTA TRAMWAYS DEAL MAY BECOME FIASCO!

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5.—Unless there is agreement between the Calcutta Corporation and the Government of Bengal, the whole deal regarding the acquisition of the Calcutta Tramways may well be a fiasco though the Company may be left with a potential lawsuit against the Corporation, which, however good on paper, will be extremely unattractive in practice.

This view is expressed in a special article in the financial news, according to the Capital's London correspondent.

The article cites the documents involved in the Calcutta Tramways matter showing how involved and numerous are the problems which remain unsolved.

The article draws critical attention to the Chief Minister's references to the increase in the value of the Tramway undertaking from Rs. 1.5 crores to Rs. 6.5 crores, to the improbability of the present abnormal profits continuing after the war and the recurrence of the opportunity to purchase every seven years. But it is believed that if the Bengal Government accedes to the Corporation's request for powers to raise a loan, the deal may yet go through.—A.P.

Demand For Open Enquiry Into Alleged Kolhapur Outrage

POONA, Jan. 4

A largely-attended public meeting of Poona women, presided over by Mrs. N. C. Kelkar, protested against the action of a certain Sub-Inspector of Police in the Kolhapur State who is alleged to have committed an outrage against a woman at Pangire during an inquiry about her absconding son.

The meeting demanded that an open enquiry be held and pending that the Police Officer be suspended.

The reports appearing in the Press about this incident have been described by the Prime Minister of the State as highly exaggerated and a departmental enquiry had shown that there was nothing against the Police Officer except that two persons had received slight injuries during the investigation, for which the Officer would be departmentally dealt with.—A. P.

Mehli Mehta's Violin Recital

The University Convocation Hall was packed to capacity as expected for Mehli Mehta's Violin Recital on Thursday evening. It is difficult to single out any single item on the programme for special commendation as the brilliant and sympathetic rendering of all the items left nothing to be desired.

Zimbalist's Suite in the Old Style formed a happy opening item, and with the "chaconne" of Bach, also in the first half of the programme exhibited the emotional depth that the instrument could stir up and the brilliant technique of the artist. Even a comparatively light piece like Gossec's "Gavotte" seemed transformed into something delicately higher through its rendering. Tartine's "Variations on a theme by Corelli" proved excellent fingering and bowing.

Dvorak's "Three Salvonic Dances" after the interval were rendered with great understanding and sympathy bringing out the dramatic movement and the local colour; in contrast to the emotionalism and artistic ing of these dances, Bartok's Roamanian Folk Dances introduced a more direct and robust movement with its simpler folk themes. In fact it was surprising to note the versatile manner in which Mehli Mehta could bring out the best in all the items with their differing emotions, and Miss Bapal Kapad'a's extremely sympathetic and unobtrusive accompaniment at the piano contributed much to the success of the recital. The last two items Wieniawsky's "Seherzo Tarantelle" and Bazzini's "La Ronde des Lutins" re-asserted the artist's brilliance of technique. Three encores were called for and given.

We have the good fortune of having another noteworhy recital next Thursday with Madame Olga Craen at the pianoforte.

Calcutta Lawyers Nominate Jinnah For Presidentship

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5.

The Working Committee of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League at a meeting last evening recommended the name of Mr. M. A. Jinnah for presidentship of the All-India Muslim League for the next term.

BASIC EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Mahatma To Inaugurate And Open Exhibition

WARDHA, Jan. 5

According to an announcement made by Mr. Aryanayakam, Secretary of the Hindusthani Talimi Sangh, a Conference will be held at Sevagram in connection with the launching of the Basic and Pre-Basic scheme of education from January 11 to January 14. Gandhiji is expected to inaugurate the Conference and open an exhibition in connection with the Conference on the first day.

"By Gandhian definition, life-long national education", says Mr. Aryanayakam in a note, "is that which is imparted through manual labour and hand-crafts in all stages, namely, Pre-Basic, Basic, Post-Basic and adult education, and in accordance with this, a complete scheme will be drafted."

NEW KHADI SCALE SCHEME IN WARDHA

WARDHA, Jan. 5

It is learnt that the local Khadi Bhandar is giving effect to the new proposal of Gandhiji in respect of the sale and popularisation of Khadi by selling a rupee worth of Khadi to any person who can supply half an anna worth of hand-spun yarn. It is expected that following this lead other Khadi shops will enforce the scheme, from July next.—U. P.

Afghan Military Mission Visits Assam Battlefields

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5: A study of the battlefields in Assam on which last year's fighting against the Japanese took place was among the objects of about a week's visit to that area by the Afghan Military Mission which returned to Calcutta on Friday evening.

The battlefields visited were those at Kohima and Bishenpur where British military experts explained to members of the Mission the course of the fighting and other details relating to the recent campaign.—A. P.

C. I. D. CONFISCATE 25 'PHONES

Round Up 75 Persons To Stop Alleged Illegal Business In Silver At Mandvi

BOMBAY, Friday.

Persons who were arrested by the Bombay C.I.D. for alleged illegal trading in silver at Mandvi yesterday and later on released on bail, appeared before Mr. F. D. Kanga, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court to-day.

Applying for the extension of their bail period the police narrated how simultaneous raids were carried out on several places at Mandvi.

It was stated that illegal business in "Souda" of silver was being carried out by a so-called Association which had a sub-let premises from the old Grains and Seeds Merchants' Association. The activities were also reported to have been carried on road.

During the raid the police seized several documents.

The accused bail period was extended to January 19.

Alexandra Girls' English Institution

The annual report for the year 1943-44 of the Alexandra Girls' English Institution has just been published.

The total number of students on the school rolls is 306, of whom 88 are Hindus, 32 are Muslims, 170 are Parsis, 6 are Sikhs, 12 others. All the 14 candidates who were sent up for the Matriculation Examination in 1944 were successful. A series of six lectures on contemporary religions was arranged for the senior pupils and staff this year.

Other activities of the School include the furtherance of the "Grow More Food" campaign, the School policeman, inspector, railway guard, successful entries to the Flower and Vegetable Show, the first issue of the School magazine, the Junior Red Cross, Girl Guides and Blue Birds, the Literary and Debating Society, the ex-Students' Association and the Prefects elected by the students themselves. The annual prize distribution took place at St. Xavier's School Hall when Sir Cowasji Jehangir presided.

Sacerdotal Silver Jubilee

The parishioners of Gloria Church, Byculla, and the friends and well-wishers of Mgr. Andrew D'Souza celebrated the Silver Jubilee of Mgr. D'Souza's Ordination on Sunday, the 31st December, 1944. His Grace the Archbishop of Bombay presided, Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas read the address.

Prof. J. J. F. Dias, outlined vividly the main influences that had shaped the career of the jubilarian and drew an intimate sketch of his personality. Two speeches followed, one in Portuguese by Rev. I. Fonseca and the other in Concanim by Mr. Philip Vaz.

The large gathering included many distinguished laymen, the heads of nearly all the parishes, the Rectors of several Jesuit institutions and other ecclesiastical authorities. Mgr. D'Souza made a suitable reply. Dr. Marqui's raised the vote of thanks to the Chair. The Joint Honorary Secretary of the Organising Committee, Mr. Edward Vaz, spared no pains to make the function a great success.

Opening Of Branch Of Punjab National Bank

In declaring the bank open at Poona on 2nd instant at the request of Mr. Bedi, District Manager of the Punjab National Bank, Mr. Ratanchand Hirachand of Bombay made a reference to late Lala Lajpatrai, who founded this bank, at Lahore, before the start of the 20th century. Glowing tribute, to the growth of this bank with about 160 branches in the country and with the working funds amounting to about 42 crores, was paid by Mr. Ratanchand. He also laid stress on the fact that opening of the branch at Poona was long overdue and hoped that it would promote business and industrial activity of Poona merchants and would also bring about happy relations with other provices by this process.

RIGHT TO WORK FOR LIVING

Deal Will Take Long To Achieve In India, Says Dalal

NEW DELHI, Jan. 5: No one who is willing to work should starve for lack of work in agriculture or industry said Sir Ardeshir Dalal, Planning and Development Member answering questions at a Rotary meeting last night. He agreed that this should be the ideal of planning but thought that in present Indian conditions this deal would take a long time to achieve.

Sir Ardeshir gave the assurance that shipbuilding would be one of the first industries to be undertaken as a measure essential for the defence of India but whether it should be a State or private undertaking could not be stated at present. Manufacture of aeroplanes was another essential for the national well-being.

In the course of his address Sir Ardeshir spoke on "Bombay Plan and Government Plan." He said Government were looking forward to the early publication of the second part of the Bombay Plan, which would deal with distribution and control.

As regards finance Sir Ardeshir mentioned Government's proposal to arrange for Rs. 1,500 crores, inclusive of loans and money raised from private investment—A. P.

TATA MILLS AFFAIR CLOSED

The General Secretary of the Textile Labour Union writes:—

About 500 workers from the winding department, including 300 women winders who had gone on strike on December 6 have been granted their demands by Mr. Justice Divatia, Judge of the Industrial Disputes Court, in a case filed by the Proprietors, Tata Mills Ltd., against the workers for illegal strike. The strike had continued for 28 days.

It appears that 6,000 workers from all other departments were locked out by the management on account of the strike.

The strike was conducted by the Textile Labour Union. Barrister H. R. Pardiwalla appeared for the workers.

Exhibition Of Angelo Fonseca's Paintings

The first exhibition of the paintings of Mr. Angelo Fonseca, the well-known artist from Poona, at the St. Xavier's College Hall, Bombay, opened by His Grace, the Archbishop of Bombay, on Friday evening was a veritable feast of colours.

About a hundred pictures are on view. Admission is free and is open to all. The themes of the pictures are mostly religious depicting Christian scriptural events in a style that is eminently characteristic of Indian art. There are a few pictures which portray panoramic views from Kashmir, Panchgani and other salubrious Indian hill resorts.

Govt. Never Consulted Penal Board!

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 5.—It is reliably learnt that the order that has been applied to Bombay regarding cloth is an autocratic action taken by Government without any discussion or sanction of the Penal Board. Government first decided and then informed the Penal Board.

Gujarat Muslim Educational Conference

Hakim Syed Ahmed Dehlavi, President, District Muslim League, Ahmedabad writes:—

A report has appeared in your issue of today to the effect that it is gathered from Muslim League circles in Ahmedabad that there are dissensions in the Reception Committee of the Gujrat Muslim Educational Conference to be held at Ahmedabad on the 13th instant and that a deputation has come to Bombay to request Quaide-Azem Mohamedali Jinnah not to inaugurate the said Conference. I am the President of the District Muslim League, Ahmedabad and I am in a position to say that the said report is absolutely false and baseless. There are no such dissensions and no deputation has come here for the said purpose. On the contrary I have come to Bombay to request Quaide-Azam to come to Ahmedabad and for the purpose of making a programme for welcoming him.

Indian Merchants Meet Iran Trade Commissioner

Major M. Hassan, Indian Government Trade Commissioner in Iran, met the Import-Export Sub-Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, on Friday and had a general discussion on matters relating to Indo-Iran Trade.

Major Hassan, replied to various enquiries and questions that were raised during the discussion, and assured the Committee of his earnest endeavours to promote the interests of Indian trade.

GIVING IMPETUS TO CONSTRUCTIVE ACTIVITIES

The Jt. Hon. Secretary of the "B" (Mandvi) Ward D.C.C. writes:—

The Managing Council of the "B" Ward Dist. Congress Committee at its meeting held on Monday last has decided to start a compaign to give impetus to constructive activities of the Congress in the Ward and to enroll atleast 6,000 members in the next three months. The Committee also formed three Taluka Congress Samitis in the Mandvi Dist.

They are (1) Manavi Taluka Congress Samiti (2) Dongri Taluka Congress Samiti and (3) Umerkhadi Taluka Congress Samiti. The office of the Ward D.C.C. will remain open from 8 to 10 in the morning and 6 to 8 in the evening. Those desirous to help the Committee in enrolment work may see the Secretary during office hours at Bhailal Bhuvan, New Chinch Bunder Road.

POTATO DISTRIBUTION HOURS.

The hours of distribution of potatoes at Government Grain Shops in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District have now been altered. Potatoes are now sold throughout the working hours at those Government Shops which do not sell vegetables and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. as at present at these shops which sell vegetables.

DISINFECTANT FLUIDS PRICES FIXED

The maximum wholesale and retail selling prices of all locally manufactured disinfectant fluids with a minimum of 10 per cent. 30 per cent or 20 per cent creosote oil content have been fixed by the Central Government. Prices of locally manufactured disinfectant fluids of more than 30 per cent creosote oil content will be fixed on application to the Controller General of Civil Supplies.

The maximum retail selling prices of locally manufactured disinfectant fluids with a minimum of 10 per cent creosote oil content have been fixed at annas -/9/- per 22 oz. bottle, Rs. 1/4/- for one gallon loose and Rs. 2/4/- for a one gallon tin at the place of production.

The Notification under the Hoarding and Profiteering Prevention Ordinance announcing the maximum prices allows a discount of 12 1/2 per cent on these prices to all retailers.

All dealers in disinfectant fluids have been directed to mark or exhibit these prices prominently in their shops and to attach labels to all tins or bottles offered for sale on and after 1st January 1945 showing the creosote oil content of the fluid.

No Reduction In Paddy Rates

The P.R.O. (Rationing) writes:—

The Thana and the Bombay Suburban District Agriculturists' Association at their recent annual general meeting passed a resolution saying: "This meeting of the Agriculturists of Thana District understands that the Government proposes to reduce the rates of paddy as and from 1st January 1945". There is no foundation for the belief entertained by the Association and the Government of Bombay has no intention of reducing the rates of paddy.

Freedom Charter For India?

Wallace To Improve Upon Roosevelt's 'Dope'

LONDON, Jan. 5.

With the re-assembly of Congress speculation about Mr. Henry Wallace has become more and more insistent.

The "United Press of India" political correspondent understands that Mr. Wallace has written to President Roosevelt expressing preference to become a Commerce Secretary. It is stated in administrative circles however that the president has not yet replied to the letter.

It has been widely reported for several weeks that Mr. Wallace has been offered the choice of several Cabinet posts. Whether the post of Commerce Secretary would become vacant was not revealed in official circles till late this morning.

It is also reported that Mr. Wallace would like to be a roving ambassador to President Roosevelt with a view to make further efforts in the unity campaign of China, between the Communists and the Kuomintang for which he undertook to go to Chungking on a special mission last year.

The 'United Press of India" learns on good authority that Mr. Wallace is at present drawing up a freedom charter for the colonial people with special application to democratic rights for India. It is believed that Mr. Wallace's Charter will be more precise than the Atlantic Charter.—United Press

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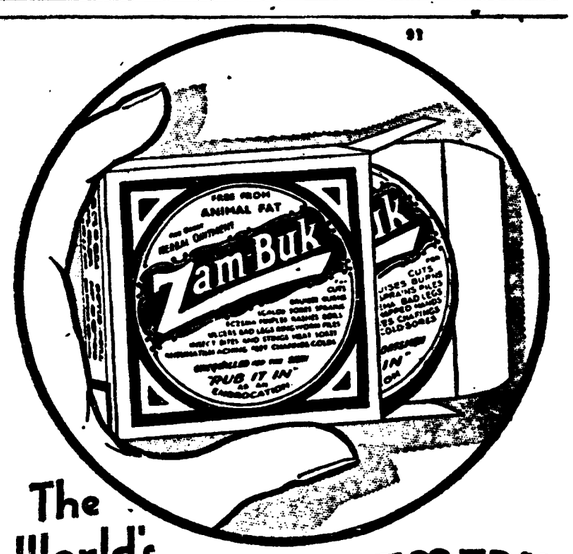
INCREASED RATIONS FOR CHILDREN IN BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

"Children below two years in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District are now eligible to half the adult foodgrains ration (i.e. each such child will get a one unit foodgrains ration card) and all persons above 6 years are now eligible to full adult ration (i. e. each such person will get a two-units card).

Applications in the "W" form should be made at the Ward Rationing Office concerned, for children who are over six years and possess a one-unit foodgrains card and for children below 2 years. On the call date mentioned on the counterfoil, a two-unit card in the case of children above six years and a one-unit card in the case of children below two years will be given.

Both at the time of applying for and taking delivery of the cards, you must produce the foodgrains and kerosene (if any) cards of the head of the family and the foodgrains, sugar and milk cards, if any, held by any of the persons for whom the application is made.

Old cards will be cancelled and returned, which must be handed in at the shop from which rations are drawn on the cards.



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CITY AND SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Posh Vad 8, 2001.
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Sunrise: 8-13 a.m., Sunset 7-16 p.m
Hightide: 5-28, 18-15.
Lowtide: 12-17, 23-28.

To-day's Engagements

ALI BROTHERS DAY: Public meeting under auspices of Central Khilafat Committee, Chhota Kabristan, at 9-30 p m today. Dr. K. Ashraf and Dr. A. H. Kazi and others will speak.

P. P. NURSING ASSOCIATION: A Namaskar Competition between Ladies and Gentlemen of the Pathare Prabhu Community will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m S. T. at the Zaoba Ram Mandir, Thakurdwar.

RAMAKRISHNA - VIVEKANANDA CENTRE: Swami Sambuddhanand's class on 'Mundak Upanishad' at 6-30 p.m. today and M. R. Gopalachar's class on 'Bhagwat Gita' at 9-30 a.m. on Sunday, at the Centre premises 64, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar. (B.B.)

INTER-RELIGIOUS CONVENTION —A meeting of the provisional committee and sympathisers will be held today (Saturday) at 4-45 p.m. at the Indian Merchants Chamber Hall.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE.—Monthly concert at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall Sandhurst Road, Tram Terminus today (Saturday) at 10 p.m. Menaka Shirodkar of Belgaum will entertain members with vocal music.

SRI GURU SINGH SABHA.—Bhai Sahib Pradhan Singh's Kirtan programme as follows: Today (Saturday) between 4-30 p.m. and 6-30 p.m. in Gurdwara Frere Road (Istri Sat Sang); on Sunday Asa-divar 7 a.m. to 9-30 a.m. in Sardar Sundar Singh's house near Khalsa College. Matunga and in the evening 8 to 9 p.m. Gurdwara, Frere Rd. On Sunday at 11-0 a.m. there will be Amrit Prechar ceremony in Khalsa College Gurdwara

ARYA SAMAJ, SANTA CRUZ.—Weekly meeting at Bajaj Wadi, Khadi Bhandar compound tomorrow (Sunday) from 9-30 to 11-30 a.m. L. Ganpat Rai Tawar to speak on "Path to Peace and Prosperity."

FORT ARYA SAMAJ.—A lecture will be delivered by Shreeman M. Chandreshwarji to-morrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m. in the Arya Samaj Fort, 96-98, Bora Bazar Street, Fort.

FREEDOM GROUP LECTURE SERIES: Sjt. V. L. Mehta (A.I.V.I.A.) will speak on "Place of Cottage Industries in Planning" to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at the University Convocation Hall, Sjt. M. R. Masani, to speak on "India's Place in Post-war Asia" on Sunday. Prof. P. A. Wadia to sum up "India and the New World Order "series after Mr. Masani's lecture.

GOMANTAK HINDU MANDAL.—The death anniversary of Bakshi Bahadur Jiobadada Kerkar, a famous Goan Hindu will be celebrated today (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at Laxmi Baug, New Bhatwedi, Girgaum. Riyasatkar Rao Bahadur Govind Sakharam Sardesai will speak. P. D. Khadilkar will sing powades.

2,000 GUINEAS RACE.—All-India Radio, Bombay, will relay at 4-45 p.m. today (Saturday) on 244 metres and on 61.48 metres a running commentary by Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan on the 2,000 Guineas Race.

SIR J MADAN ON AIR.—Sir Jamarcan Madan will broadcast a talk in English on "the Co-operative Movement", first in the series for the University Students from the AIR, Bombay, at 8-45 p.m. to-day (Saturday).

FORT STUDENTS' CHARKHA SANGHA.—An elocution competition will be held tomorrow Sunday at 9-30 a.m. (N.S.T.) at the premises of the Sangha at 96-98 Bora Baza St., Fort, Bombay.

PRARTHANA SAMAJ.—Mr. G. L. Chandavarkar will conduct a Divine Service to-morrow (Sunday) at the Prarthana Samaj Girgaum at 5-30 p.m.

SANITARY ROUND: Members of the "F" Ward (Parel) Dist. Congress Committee and its six Taluka Congress Samities will go on a round in their localities to see the sanitary conditions in slum areas on every Saturday. Citizens may send their complaints, if any, to the office of the "F" Ward D.C.C. or any Taluka Congress Samiti beforehand.

MARINE WAR RISK ON COTTON PIECEGOODS

The Government of India have decided to extend up to 31-1-1945 the existing arrangements whereby Government carries Marine War Risks on cotton piecegoods and yarn transported by sea between Bombay and Calcutta under the existing terms and conditions.

MARATHON RACE

The Marathon Race, distance 26 miles, 385 yards, organised by the Bombay Provincial Olympic Association in connection with their 10th Annual Olympic Games will be run tomorrow Sunday commencing at 7-30 a.m. It will start at the Eros Cinema car park and will finish by the side of the railway signal box, near Churchgate Street Station in Queen's Road.

There will be many starters, and the race will follow the usual Marathon course in Bombay City.

BOMBAY AND SUBURBAN HOTELS FEDERATION

The Propaganda Secretary of the B. & S. H. Federation writes:

The meeting of the Bombay and Suburban Hotels Federation was held on Wednesday in the office of the Association was attended by the leading representatives of the Bombay and Suburban Hotel Keepers' Association, Bombay and Suburban Restaurant-Keepers' Association, the Bombay and Suburban Hotel Owners' Association, the Bombay and Suburban Tea-shop-keepers' Association, the Bombay Sweetmeat Merchants' Association, the Bombay Boarding and Lodging Houses' Association. The meeting expressed grave concern over the reduction of the sugar quota of the Hotels and strongly disapproved of it. The meeting deplored the attitude of the Government towards the hotel-keepers. It was unanimously decided to hold a general meeting of all the hotel-keepers of the city and Suburbs on Sunday, the 14th inst. at 8 p.m. in Kesar Baug, Dongri, when important decisions will be taken and so every hotel-keeper is requested to attend the meeting without fail.

Rs. 100 Prize To Sawarde Village

A prize of Rs. 100, for improvement work carried out during 1944 has been awarded to the village of Sawarde, in the Tasgaon taluka of Satara District.

H. E. the Governor of Bombay watching with keen interest the distribution of milk to children at one of the milk distribution centres in the city.

VICTORIA & ALBERT MUSEUM

The annual report of the work done in the Victoria and Albert Museum, Bombay, during 1943-44 shows that the daily average was 5,847. The following specimens were purchased for the Museum during the year:

Six plaster models of varying sizes for show cases for Indian garments, articles of agate, Hindu Mythology and Indian Head-wears, 12 Silver coins of the Kshatrapas of Western India, 3 Silver coins (Mughal), one Silver coin (Nawab of Oudh), one Silver coin (Sher shah Suri), 10 Silver coins (Post Mughal); an embroidered petticoat from Cutch; a carved walnut-wood box from Kashmir; four metal images of Ravana, Shiva-Parvati, Narsinha-Lakshmi and Ganga; and one printed set of Cochin Mural Paintings.

The pupils from Primary and Secondary Schools of the City who visited the Museum during the year numbered 10,517 as against 4,277 during the preceding year.

Adams-Wylie Memorial Hospital

According to the annual medical report for 1940, 5,548 new cases and 15,207 recurring cases, giving a total of 20,755 cases, were treated by the out-door department of the Bai Motlibai Wadia Dispensary of the Hospital. Seven hundred and ninety-one surgical operations were performed and 734 out-door dressings done.

Admission to the in-door department were 923 out of which 35 cases proved fatal. The average daily in-door population was 27.

Sargent Scale Of Pay For Gujerat Teachers Urged

The Central Executive Committee of the All-Gujerat Primary Teachers' Association met recently at Uttarsanda in Kaira District. The Committee resolved that the Government should introduce the new grade in pay as recommended by one Sargent Plan. The Committee called upon the 10,000 primary teachers of Gujerat to be ready to fight in all possible ways for their demands. They also passed a resolution sympathising with the teachers of Surat District in their valiant fight.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S RACES

KING'S JESTER GREATLY FANCIED IN 2000 GUINEAS

Bright Chances For Dancing Lily In W. I. Cup

(By Our Racing Correspondent.)

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE: Menu Sunrage 1; Royal Windsor 2; Cougar 3.

2ND RACE: Field Marshal 1; Lord Mayor 2; Mardan 3.

3RD RACE: Mr. Colman 1; Lord Wavell 2; Lila 3.

4TH RACE: Tantalum 1; Army And Navy 2; His Master's Voice 3.

5TH RACE: Suryakant 1; Rentenmark 2; Golden Zee 3.

6TH RACE: King's Jester 1; Sunbathing 2; Gold Legion 3.

7TH RACE: Heritage 1; Passing Bell 2; Peerless 3.

8TH RACE: Dancing Lily 1; Ginger Boy 2; Another Devil 3.

9TH RACE: Big Joy 1; Star Of Gujerat 2; Clitheroe 3.

DARK FLUKES: Subhi Jazira, Orange Flower and Ice Box

"MRICHHAKATIKA"

Well-Known Gujerati Play To Be Staged By People's Theatre Today

"Mrichhakatika" (Toy-cart) is one of the most famous Sanskrit plays Written originally by Shoodrak about 1,500 years ago, it depicts the love story of a popular courtesan and a very noble-minded and public-spirited Brahmin youth. It has been staged and screened many times with varying success.

Suncaram, the Guerati playwright, however, has onered his own interpretation of the ancient legend and dramatized the romance of Vasantsena and Charudatta against the background of social upheaval. Thus the romantic episodes are interwoven with the scenes of an autocratic King Palak and his brother-in-law Shakar being overthrown by a revolt of the people led by a proletarian son of a shepherd.

The People's Theatre Gujerati group is offering this play this evening (Saturday) in connection with the People's Theatre Conference now being held at the C. J. Hall. The big cast for this spectacular play contains 30 characters including Anasuya Bharaya (Vasantsena), Jay Kumar (Charudatta), Jaman Chandarana (Shakar), besides People's Theatre's old artists like Ojha, Jashwant Thakkar, Godiwala, Lila Jariwala and others. Songs and dance, and specially-designed settings in Ajanta style, are special features of the play.

The admission is restricted to those who are already enrolled as members of the Reception Committee of the People's Theatre.

National Medical College

The annual progress report of the National Medical College from June 1943 to May 1944 shows that the number of students in the College was 227 out of whom 34 were lady students. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Bombay has lengthened the course from 3½ years to 4½ years from June 1941. A Grant-in-Aid of Rs. 1,000 was sanctioned by the Government during the year.

Three scholarships were awarded by the College according to merit.

(i) Dr. A. L. Nair Memorial Prize in books of the value of Rs. 30 was awarded to M/s. B. A. Vakharia and C. H. Vora: (ii) Dr. A. L. Nair Memorial Gold Medal was awarded to Mr. S. N. Dabholkar for general proficiency at the Final L.C.P.S. Examination: (iii) Dr. D. B. Pandya's prize in books in Medicine was awarded to Dr. S. N. Dabholkar for having secured the highest number of marks in medicine at the Final L.C.P.S. Examination.

SEEDS POST-WAR PLAN.—A scheme for the production of seeds of improved strains of important food-grain crops has been approved by the Government of Bombay as part of its Post-War Reconstruction Plan. It will cost Rs. 3,03,000. Seeds of improved varieties of paddy, bajri wheat, rabi jowar and gram are to be produced on the Government Farms, some of which are to be enlarged for the purpose.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY, Jan. 6.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 Haripada Chowdhury. 8-45 Bhajan. 8-50 News (M). 9-0 News (G). 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 Haribhau Ghangrekar. 9-45 Gujarati Geet.

12-30 p.m. Sindhi Songs. 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Variety. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Lunch Music. 5-0 Lahanu Nagpure. 5-30 Ghazalen. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 Saturday at Six (M). 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 Film Music. 7-0 Sandeshe. 7-15 A. R. Oza. 7-30 Lahanu Nagpure. 8-0 Harpada Chowdhury. 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 For the Universities. 9-0 Co-operative movement in Bombay. Talk in English by Janardan Madan. 92-0 News (E.) 9-30 B B J News Relay. 9-45 Geet. 10-0 Shagoofe (H) 10-30 Haribhau Ghangrekar.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT

Public meeting in connection with the National Savings Fortnight at 6-30 p.m. on MONDAY, the 8th January, 1945 at Shri SUNDERBAI MEMORIAL HALL, Queen's Road. Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, J.P., will preside. Mr. Fazal I. Rahimtoola, C.I.E., and Mr. M. V. Donde, B.A., will address the meeting.

Shamla Majgaonkar and Indukumar Parekh will sing and there will also be instrumental music by Sita Jhaveri.

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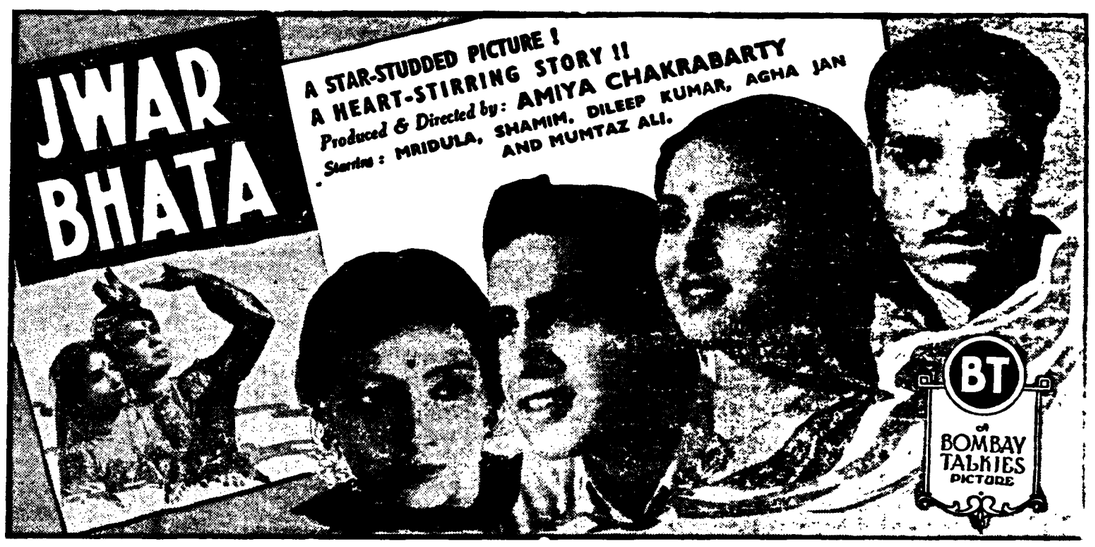
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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Jan. 5.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 9 hours L M T on 2/1/45: Allahabad 66 44 0.1, BOMBAY 82 65 0, Calcutta 82 70 0, Cawnpore 64 45 0, Cuttack 86 60 0, Darjeeling 45 36 0.2, Delhi 62 39 0, Dehra Dun 52 36 T, Jacobabad 71 43 0, Karachi 75 56 0, Lahore 67 36 0, Lucknow 63 46 0, Madras 83 63 0, Nagpur 83 53 0, Patna 75 51 T, Peshawar 64 39 0, Shillong 63 41 0, Simla 35 21 T.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Life, however short, is made still shorter by waste of time.

—Johnson.

The Bombay Chronicle

BRITAIN'S OBDURACY

It is reported that the term of imprisonment of the members of the Congress Working Committee has been further extended by six months. If the fact is as stated, it will help neither Britain nor India. For some days past hopes of the leaders' immediate release were raised by the improvement in the war situation and political situation in India, the widespread demand for their release in India, in America and by the Labour Conference in Britain and the reported efforts of the Labour Under-Secretary for India for their release. But the latest news shows that the Government is as obdurate in this matter as ever. Nor does there seem to be any truth in the recent report that the Government of India has left the question of the Congress leaders' release to the discretion of the Provincial Governments. When asked if the U. P. Government reviewed periodically the cases of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, who belonged to the U. P Sir Tennant Sloan, Adviser to the U. P. Governor, said at a press interview that they had been detained under orders of the Government of India and it was not the concern of the U. P. Government to review their cases. Whoever is immediately responsible for the continued detention of the Congress leaders without a trial the British Government cannot escape the consequences of this outrage on justice As pointed out by Mr. V. V. Giri, the recently released ex-Labour Minister of Madras, the release of individual leaders or workers is no satisfaction to anyone, much less does it lead us towards the solution of the deadlock in India only the immediate and unconditional release of the Working Committee members who alone can deliver the goods will to some extent lead to the solution of the Indian problem."

It is true that Britain is in no hurry for a solution of the Indian problem. But a solution of that problem is certainly not going to wait for Britain's goodwill. The problem will be solved soon enough, though how it will be solved will to some extent depend upon Britain. Mr. Sumner Welles, former Under-Secretary of State, U. S. A., puts it mildly when he says that "despite the resistance of diehards in Britain and vested interests in India, India cannot fail to advance to even greater autonomy height and speed beyond that envisaged in the time-delaying aims at ultimate Dominion Status." It is no longer a secret that British post-war commerce will be doomed without India's goodwill and ruthless repression is certainly not the best way of ensuring that goodwill. Mr. Giri warns Mr. Churchill that "continued repression can never kill the 'soul of India' which demands undiluted political and economic freedom and will, on the other hand, embitter feelings and create false issues, defying solution." But Mr. Churchill may not immediately heed such warnings as he seems to be intoxicated with the power he wields for the time being in Britain and India and with his view that the Congress is all but crushed. He and all those who share that view will be disillusioned soon enough. The Government of India itself realises that Congress is far from being crushed. Else it would have seized the opportunity and ordered general elections. The whole country is behind the Congress and the country cannot be crushed by all the might of the British empire. The Congress leaders are a force to be reckoned with though they are behind prison bars. Whether that force bodes Britain well or ill let Britain judge.

A Rude Blow

There have of late been many reports of the energy with which the British Embassy in Washington and its Indian satellite have been trying to, shall we say, enlighten and educate American public opinion in respect of the Indian situation. Every effort through talking points, unsolicited explanations and so on and so forth is being made to counter American sympathy for India's political aspirations by misrepresenting political India and misleading the Americans. It has not succeeded. On the contrary, to the chagrin of the anti-Indian propagandist have been added some positive jabs of severe pain.

One of these is the remarkable article of Mr. Sumner Welles which effectively disposes of British arguments. The other, of course, is the presence of Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit. But even a bigger blow has been dealt by Mr. A. R. Siddiqi who, in addition to being a distinguished Indian Muslim is also a well-known member of the Muslim League. Americans used to be told with sorrowful self-righteousness that it was the Indians themselves who were responsible for all the difficulties and whose communal problem was really an annoying obstacle to British eagerness to withdraw Britain's domination from India Mr. A. R. Siddiqi, a better spokesman of Muslims than, for instance, Sir Frederick Puckle, now plainly declares that the communal problem had been given importance out of all proportion and that it was an exclusively domestic problem which could be solved "given the opportunity" Mr. Siddiqi has shattered the British plea which implies that they are here because Muslims want them. The Muslims don't, as Mr. Siddiqi has almost bluntly said. And as if to leave no doubt in American minds about Muslim attitude he went further and very correctly represented it by assuring his audience that Muslims had good reasons to object to all Imperialistic and Colonial Powers. Mr. Siddiqi has rendered a valuable and timely service to the cause of Indian freedom and to Indian Muslims in America where both are being misrepresented by interested imperialists.

Frankly Speaking

Fourteenth Army Successes

Covering the last fourteen miles in a one-day dash Fourteenth Army troops captured Ye-U, terminus of a railway to Mandalay. They had also previously captured intact the Kabo weir, north of Ye-U which ensures adequate water supply in the dry Shwebo plan. Since the fall of Ye-U the Japs have started offering resistance, which, however, has not stopped the British advance. The capture of the Kabo Weir and of Ye-U is an important success in the war against Japan in Burma. From Ye-U, Mandalay is seventy miles but the going will be far easier than the torturous and torturous miles Fourteenth Army troops have already traversed against opposition that was far stiffer. As Brigadier Irwin of Fourteenth Army, who is on a visit to America, has told pressmen: "Mandalay, second city of Burma, is within our grasp." Brigadier Irwin expects the battle to be joined about the end of this month. This will be quick enough progress considering the speed of past progress and the certainty of the Japs putting up quite a characteristic defence. For Mandalay is a vital point for the defence not only of central but also of the whole of Burma.

Landing On Akyab

But even better news than the capture of Ye-U has just been given from Kandy. SEAC announces a landing at last on Akyab. This is the move for which many have been impatiently waiting and we have no doubt that it has been made in strength and the complete conquest of Akyab will not take many days. It will be a great victory because Akyab will be an extremely valuable base for the pursuit both of short and long range strategy. From Akyab the navy and the air force can command the whole of the Burma waters. Immediately, it destroys the Jap general defence line of Akyab, Mandalay and Lashio which Brigadier Irwin expected the enemy to hold. The Chinese, American and Fourteenth Armies have now begun to roll the Japs out of Burma. It is the beginning of a great and important development which will influence the fight in China as well as in South-East Asia.

Pearson's Disclosures

There may be two opinions as to ethics and desirability of the revelations made by Mr. Drew Pearson, the American columnist. There will be only too many people eager to denounce him as a dangerous enemy of Anglo-American understanding and an international mischief-monger. But no one can deny that the secret aide-memoir and telegrams he has published exposed an alarming state of affairs as regards Anglo-American relations. They also reveal the reactionary policy of the British Government which, if persisted in, will gravely jeopardise democracy, the unity of United Nations and, indeed, the whole future of peace itself. What is needed is not so much condemnation of Mr. Pearson as serious and determined efforts to save unity and peace. And there is only one way of doing so.

Wanted Explanation

Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, Leader of the Indian Delegation to the International Business Conference at Rye, New York, stated at a press conference in Bombay that he was informed by some American businessmen that a draft trade treaty between India and the United States had been sent to the Government of India in 1939 and that after a period of about seven months, a reply had been received from the Government of India to the effect that the subject could not be proceeded with for the duration of the war. Sir Chunilal is not yet in a position to vouch for the correctness of his information but rightly demands that in view of the obvious importance of the subject Government should take the public into confidence and state how far the treaty negotiations have gone and why there is delay in the conclusion of a treaty. Government certainly owes an explanation to the public. The need for a treaty is obvious. As Sir Chunilal points out, it will entitle Indians to the privilege of going to the United States, staying there and establishing business. If negotiations are going on for a treaty, we do not see why there should be so much delay in concluding it. The war is rather a reason for than against closer trade relations with an ally. Moreover, as Sir Chunilal points out, post-war reconstruction plans would require large purchases from America and ground should be prepared in advance for Indian businessmen to go to the United States and establish themselves there. Finally, a trade treaty with America will be most appropriate when attempts are being made there to extend to India full citizenship rights. Will Sir Ardeshir Dalal take up this matter in earnest?

Our Readers' Views

Yarn Crisis

It was expected that the enforcement of Cotton Cloth and Yarn Order will do away with the cloth and yarn crisis in the country. The situation in cloth has definitely improved to a great extent, but the high prices in yarn are not yet properly controlled. There are more than 1,800 handlooms at Bhiwandi (as per census of the P. T. C Office) and our yarn requirement of every month is more than 100 bales. It is strange that during the last 15 months only 60 bales have been allocated to us. The tendency of the merchants (with a few exceptions) is still deplorable. They not only harass the consumers who approach them, but their behaviour too is very rude.

It is high time that Government adopt the strict measure of freezing the entire yarn quota of all the merchants and give them only their legitimate commission. Such a step alone ensures adequate supply of yarn for the weavers, otherwise it is feared that this important industry will be hit hard.

G. M. MOMIN,
Hon. Secretary,
Momin Weavers' Co-op. Society, Ltd.,
Bhiwandi.

D. D. T.

In your issue of day before yesterday's issue, I have noticed an announcement that the Cipla's Laboratories of Bombay are manufacturing D.D.T. Your readers will be interested to know that this is not the first time D.D.T. is manufactured in India. Some months back it was manufactured by a Laboratory in Hyderabad (Dn.) During the fifth all India Pharmaceutical Conference held in the University Convocation Hall in Bombay on 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, December 1944, the Maharashtra Chemicals had exhibited their D.D.T. In Bombay Presidency alone there are at least two more Companies who have manufactured D.D.T. and completed their Laboratory tests but due to want of import facilities for raw materials they are not in a position to place the product on the market.

I hope, in the fairness to the other Indian manufacturers of D.D.T., you will allow me the courtesy of publishing this in your next issue.

K. N. G.

All-India Spinners' Association

Permit me to add to the load of pain and surprise of Mr. Purshottamdas Kanji of the A.I.S.A. Not being an aesthete like my misguided friend D. G. Tendulkar, I don't much worry if the Tatas and J.K.s and their cousins of the Khadi Bhandars cover with ado, the entire range of the Maratha ghats. My major preoccupation is the half-empty, if uncomplaining, human stomach and the rag-covered body.... I honestly don't see any objection to the Khadi Bhandar displaying rag-dolls of Bombay policemen and British sahibs.

During the worst days of black-marketing both in khadi and mill-spun cloth I found the Khadi Bhandars completely cleaned up. The A.-I.S.A. wanted me to spin yarn to be able to buy a kurta. I could buy any amount of khadi in the black-market. It seemed that some enterprizing traffickers in hand-spun patriotism had cornered the khadi market. Spurious khadi bhandars traded profitably and you were told that the large stocks of khadi in Bengal and Bihar were either burnt down, locked up or were inaccessible owing to transport difficulties.

I don't mind if they cater to the wives of the patriots who earn easy incomes of thousands in wartime trade and speculation by selling to them super-expensive saris. I don't mind if they sell me a blind pup of low-priced, badly stitched kurta that could hardly be used for two months and treat me like dirt because I don't ask for the fineries. Let them compete with the smart Bombay stores.

It is the paralysis and breakdown of the entire organization that is objected to. Gandhiji says and many of us always believed and still believe that khadi should clothe the entire population under all conditions and particularly the kind of conditions created by the present war. There are inexaustible reserves of Indian man-power with enough village carpenters and sufficient technique in production Not all the workers had been clapped in jail and there was nothing to prevent them from working out the philosophy of khadi in the emergency.

I know from personal experience that people who believed ardently in khadi were disillusioned not about the economics or organizational possibilities of khadi but about the All-India Spinners' Association.

We could easily understand now why the Congress produces disillusioned renegades including men with a brilliant record whom you find in the front-rank of the communalist organizations.

A. DISILLUSIONED SPINNER.

Agricultural Insurance

India is predominantly an agricultural country, and any scheme which will foster the interest of agriculturists will be welcomed. To plan, so far prepared, for agricultural development envisages the scheme of agricultural insurance. The agricultural insurance is a news or of insurance business which has been introduced in U.S.A. in order to safeguard the interest of agriculturist.

Agricultural insurance is vitally necessary in a country like India where 88 per cent of the population depends upon agriculture. Agricultural produce should be against any unforeseen losses arising out of rain, pest, locusts, etc.

Our insurance companies are sound enough to undertake such an insurance scheme and for the initial stages they should restrict their sphere of working to a particular area. If they find such type of insurance profitable both to the company and to the agriculturist, then they should extent their field of working.

For calculating premium, lands should be divided into three distinct groups according to the fertility. The rate of premium must be the highest on the interior lands and lowest on the best. The company must guarantee the agriculturist to compensate for any losses which are beyond human control.

Premium should be accepted in kind or in terms of money. Certain percentage must be taken of the produce and the minimum premium must be fixed in percentage by considering the average yield per acre. Because of this, loss on particular lands will be rectified by the profits on the other.

In order to give encouragement to such type of insurance Government should purchase a part of the Share capital of the company or guarantee the interest.

S. K. SOMAN.

The Truth About China

As A Chinese Citizen Sees It

(By A Chinese Citizen)

News from China has recently been very disquieting. The Japanese advance toward Kweiyang, a vital juncture on the Burma Road, once threatened to foil the entire effort of the Allied operations in West Yunnan and Burma. Now the Japanese forces have been thrown out of the province of Kwangsi, and the threat has been removed temporarily. Nobody can yet tell whether the Japs are going to make fresh attempts in the future. But this does not mean that China is now entirely at the mercy of the Japanese. The fact that the Japs had to hold back their thrust toward Kweiyang indicates there are still forces in China that can, and will, strike back toward enemy offensives. At the Salween front and in Burma Chinese forces are actually fighting a winning war with the help of Allied countries, especially America. The vast occupied areas in China are still infested with Chinese guerilla activities. Nothing speaks better to illustrate this situation than the fact that the Japanese are forced to keep a large number of soldiers to garrison their ill-gotten territories.

China Is Not Out

Recently, some articles in foreign magazines have counted China out. This, I think, is beyond the speculation even of the Japs. If China is really out, it means a large-scale reinforcement of their dwindling forces on the Pacific front. It means the fuller use of Chinese resources by the Japs. It means that the Allies have to land every ounce of their force through the sea to deal with the main body of the Japanese army on the vast China plains. And, above all, it means the death of one-fifth of the world's peaceful people in the Far East.

Fortunately, China is not out, and never will she be, for the simple reason that the Chinese people have experienced enough exploitation under the Japs and that the two principal parties, the Kuomintang and the Communists, are both determined to fight on until China regains her freedom from foreign aggressors. No free people can stay contented with a yoke on their neck. This, I think, our Indian friends can understand better than other peoples.

Nevertheless, the recent criticisms in the foreign press on the Chinese Government are not mere windfalls. Especially inefficiency of the Government and the dissensions between the Kuomintang and the Communists. These have impaired unity in China, and consequently the all-out effort of the Allied Nations to crush the Axis Powers at the earliest possible moment, which is the supreme object of the day. Well, then, what is the real situation and who are responsible? Why all these dissensions, and where is the way out? Probably the fullest answer to these questions can only be given by historians in the future. Right now, it might help to present some of the viewpoints of the average Chinese intelligentsia, who look upon the issue as unbiasedly as possible from a Chinese angle.

General Impoverishment

All the foreign criticisms aside, let us examine the problems from a domestic point of view first. The war has deprived the Government of the best part of China, and all the lines of communication with outside except a long and hazardous air lane. This leads to the general impoverishment of the whole populace, the salaried class being the hardest hit. In sharp contrast to the deficiencies of the absolute majority, the war profiteers such as speculators, hoarders, and land owners get huge sums of easy money and maintain a pre-war standard of living. Such social injustice impairs the morale of the people in general, and that of the public employees in particular, who are the very men called upon to suppress the law-breakers by the enforcement of law. Here lies the root of inefficiency of administration.

Thus a fresh graduate from a university serving as a clerk in the Government may tell you he is wasting his time and energy in the midst of piles of documents and meaningless red-tapes. As time goes on, he might unconsciously become a little bureaucrat himself, or he might struggle to remain lofty, despising his colleagues, but lamentably unable to live up to his ideals himself.

A student may complain that he has not enough money to keep his body and soul together. The Government has alloted huge sums from its stringent budget to relieve the war-stricken students. But still the Government subsidy cannot keep pace with the rising prices. There are not enough laboratory facilities in wartime schools, and the few good teachers left seem to be detracted from their teaching profession by the dire needs in their families. The students' accomplishments in the school are naturally not up to the pre-war standard.

Merchants and industrialists may complain that the tax system is not entirely fair and equitable. Tax officers, hard-pressed in living by their meagre salaries, are susceptible of bribes, which means discouragement of the honest tax-payers.

Then the recruiting of soldiers. Life in the Chinese army is very hard indeed. China now has very few supplies left, and lack of efficiency has rendered impossible to send even the few supplies to the soldiers on an army-first basis. The new War Minister, young and thorough-going General Chen Cheng, jumped on the task of bettering the soldiers' livelihood the first day he assumed his office. The Chinese army used to draw its soldiers almost entirely from the poor people. Since there is no universal conscription in China, the exemption of the privileged, coupled with the hardships of army life, has led to frequent evasions.

The recent join-the-army movement among the educated youths in China tends to help eliminate reluctance toward military service.

Finally the Kuomintang-Communist issue. There must not be a civil war in China after the present war with Japan is won. But with all the negotiations that have been resumed in the recent months, there seems unlikely to have a workable agreement between the two parties in the near future.

Urge For Reform

Now after you have read about all these setbacks in China, you will laugh if you are an enemy of China. If you are her sympathiser you will sigh and say, "Oh, I hate to see such an ancient and magnificent nation die such a melancholy death." If you are her friend, you will be very anxious about the situation, and ask, "Is it really so bad, and is it getting better or worse?"

The thinking intelligentsia of China now-a-days belongs to neither of these three categories. He is part of China. These black spots are the shame of China, and, therefore, the shame of his own. He takes a personal interest in them. Whenever he sees or hears a voice, he swallows his disgust and resentment with clenched fists, and once more he will say, "Something is got to be done." He knows if things keep on like that, it means the end of China, with her millions of courageous people including himself.

Never before in the history of China has the urge for reform been so acute and universal, and so fatally concerned with the destiny of the entire people as it is to-day.

Why are there so many eager lips ready to pour tons of opinions to the absorbtive ears of the foreign correspondents in China? How these correspondents get the inside dopes of Chinese politics? This is probably the best time for newspapermen to write about China with the help of brand new material obtained from exclusive sources. Just one or two penetrating questions that either challenge or flatter the innermost feeling of the man will lead to a stream of utterances invaluable to a reporter. Sometimes you shoot a question to a war-time up-start at his happiest moment of enjoyment. To your great surprise, he begins to explain himself seriously. He may tell you how he was forced into the trade which he dislikes. He may spurn the trade, and then all the other up-starts with such vehemence as if he himself were entirely detached from the whole business. Then he pulls himself together, and the better part of his soul fades away. Next time, you may find him again in a legally prohibited dancing party, lost in enjoyment.

There is an urge for the better even in people as such.

The urge is not merely confined to those detached from the Government service, such as professionals, students, factory owners. In fact, you find the urge even stronger among Government employees and Kuomintang officials. For those people are in a position to know the real condition of the administration. When they pause and think, as some of them do, they cannot help shivering with apprehension in view of the disastrous outcome in the future. All the vices and setbacks I mentioned in the previous paragraphs, they know perfectly well. As a matter of fact, some of their own friends and relatives are victims of these malpractices.

In an interview with a middle-aged Kuomintang official who holds key positions both in the Government and in the San Min Chu I Youth Corps, a supplementary organization of the Kuomintang, I expressed the opinion that the Communist Party cannot possibly become such a problem to the Kuomintang if the latter is efficient and so leaves little to be criticized. And should the Kuomintang not improve itself, it may lose its political position despite its past efforts in the course of national revolution. From this self-conceited Kuomintang leader, I was expecting a fierce rebuke. Unexpectedly he said, "you are right."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Recently there has been considerable criticism about China published in the American and British Press. In the present article a Chinese citizen presents some of the view-points of an average educated Chinese.

Sir Sultan Ahmed's Health

PATNA, Jan. 5: Sir Sultan Ahmed, Member for Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, is feeling better and on the whole improving slowly but steadily. There is no cause for anxiety, according to a bulletin issued to-day by his physicians.

It adds that Sir Sultan had transient attacks of giddiness last night once or twice.—A. P.

Subbaroyan On Indian Cricket Tour In Ceylon

COLOMBO, Jan. 5: Referring to the forthcoming Indian Cricket tour in Ceylon, Dr. Subbaroyan, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India, said that the Indian team will be "tremendously strong." He considered Hazare and Merchant equal to any batsmen in the world, but Ind-a had no bowler of the late Amarsingh's calibre.

Dr. Subbaroyan was glad to see that Sathasivam and Jayeweickreme had done so well at Calcutta against best Indian bowlers.

Dr. Subbaroyan hopes to meet Ceylon Cricket officials during his week's stay here.—A. P.

POONA, Jan. 5: Lady Premilla Vithaldas Thakersey has been nominated member of the Central Advisory Board of Education by the Central Government. She will be leaving on the 14th January for Karachi to attend the meeting of the Board.—A. P.

ATTITUDES & LATITUDES

By "BIRBAL"

Stuart Gelder of the "News Chronicle", it seems, has not yet rounded off his season of scoops. In India he interviewed the Mahatma, in the style of George Slocombe in 1930, and debunked himself by permitting a jumbled version to be prematurely published in an Anglo-Indian paper. He has now interviewed Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek and used the hospitality of the columns of another Allied paper for a tirade on the Chungking Government. It is possible to be a Liberal in England, a non-descript in India and a Communist in China and even a Gelder, who in taking a serene pride in a pleasure trip to Tokyo, can be gullible.

Contrary to his claim he was not the only foreign correspondent to see the Marshal in the last two years; Mr. Arch Steele of the "Chicago Daily News" had seen the Generalissimo only a week before. Gelder's other facts are equally wrong. Communist Chou En-Lai did not pay his recent visit to Chungking under American protection; the Chinese do not sell lend-lease supplies because they are too meagre, being only 1.75 per cent of the aid given to others—and 80 per cent. contributed to Stilwell's glory in Northern Burma—and they come under American control; Chiang's China is not a 'hell-fire corner' and Communist Chinese a trade union paradise without censorship. A Chinese corresoondent, who is not so anti-Communist as Gelder might be in England, says that there is no freedom of movement, freedom of speech or freedom of religion in Yenan, that many Communist members have been purged: that while a Communist newspaper can be published in Chungking, no Chungking paper can be published in Yenan. Many American correspondents who have lived longer in China than Gelder agree with this.

There is no military reason either why the Gelders should play to the gallery in Yenan except that they are 'inspired' to do it. Chinese sympathy with Indian aspiration is one reason; Stilwell's recall is another; scapegoats for inadequate Allied aid are quite a necessary hunting for reducing an ally to the status of an adjunct. The surprising part is that the Government of India are permitting this scandal-mongering by Allied correspondents at this critical juncture. It is well-known that U.S. correspondents made use of China to send "hot news" about India, when censorship in this country was airtight, if air-conditioned. Now the blockade this side has been lifted because the British Government would like to pay off old scores and return the compliment with a vengeance. Or is it just that gallivanting bush-shirts have developed an anti-Madame complex, inciting her to be neither a Madame butterfly—nor even an Eleanor Roosevelt or Mary Churchill? On deeper analysis it looks like an anti-China—and, therefore, anti-Asia—complex.

A Great Old Lady

In France, the "Free French" cut off the hair of women who had associated with Germans during the occupation and in some cases stripped them naked in public places. Today they are still busy executing collaborationists. In Rome, a populace crazy with the desire for revenge lynched a prison official, trampled him to pulp and threw his remains into the Tiber. In Russia, a Stalin Prize novelist shrieks hysterically for vengeance against the entire German people.

In India, an old woman whose son—a sub-divisional officer—was killed at Chimur by an incensed crowd during the events of August '42, has appealed for the remission of the death sentence about to be executed against those charged with her son's death on the ground that "no useful purpose would be served by taking other young lives for the life which is already lost."

By her act of humanity and generosity, Mrs. Cooverbhai Doongaji has provided a striking contrast between the blood-crazed neurosis of Europe and the mellowed civilization of India. She has also put to shame those who have not suffered as she has but who would yet extort their pound of flesh.

And Another

The Nationalist Students of India met last week-end in Bombay with Professor Humayun Kabir in the chair. They changed the name of their organisation, which will henceforth be known as the All-India Students' Congress. This change was made necessary by the attempt of the Communists, meeting simultaneously at Calcutta, to cause confusion by calling their student organisation by the same name as the Students' Federation.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu sent a message of greeting to the Conference in Bombay through its president who came from Calcutta, but what was she doing in Calcutta? She was gracing with her charming and inspiring presence the Students' Conference organised by the Communists. Running with the hare and hunting with the hounds is not without precedent among eminent politicians. But when Congressmen are, in one province after another, excluding from their fold those who rallied when in 1942 they thought the ship was sinking, it is not only ungracious but also questionable for the only member of the Congress Working Committee out of prison to patronise their demonstration. Mrs. Naidu's action renders it almost redundant to comment on the unfortunate presence at the same Conference of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy.

Exit Lloyd George

The retirement at the age of 82 of Mr. Lloyd George into the House of Lords makes one wonder to what extent Mr. Churchill's post-war career will follow the lines of that of his prototype during World War I.

Mr. Lloyd George will be joined in the exodus from parliamentary life by no less than eighty-six other M.P.'s. Already, therefore, without a shot in electoral warfare being fired, the infusion of new blood in Parliament to the extent of 12 per cent is assured. Whether or not Whitehall responds to Sir Homi Mody's prescription of a blood transfusion, Westminster is already preparing for the operation.

What a refreshing prospect would be held out by a similar exodus and infusion in our own public life! The Indian's average expectation of life at birth is, after all, only 27 years, and there is a lot to be said for the view that those who have been so fortunate as to survive twice the allotted span should limit themselves to more private pursuits and, should they be spiritually inclined, to the contemplation of their own future.

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Bombay woke up shivering this morning under a grey, cloud-laden sky. Fairly heavy rain fell in the city and its suburbs shortly after midnight, followed by light showers till daybreak. Sweaters and warm clothes were much in evidence.

The rainfall recorded at the Colaba Observatory was 64 cents. It is feared that the showers will considerably affect the mango crop, which is now flowering.

—Press Report, Friday.

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Mr. Sumner Welles believes and plainly declares that "the rise of a free and self-governing India, taking her place beside a free and strong China, is bounded to revolutionise Asia."

Two reasons, that is, why India should be carefully kept where she is.

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This opinion as also a good many other and even more interesting ones appear in a book edited by Mr. Sumner Welles and entitled "An Intelligent American's Guide to Peace."

He might also have added parenthetically "also to a full Understanding of, and Complete Misunderstanding with, Britain."

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Anyway, we trust the extracts will serve as a guide to intelligent authorities in India to keep the book out and thus to save intelligent Indians from being guided to peace—sorry, sorry we mean—er—well, you know what we mean. Don't you? Good.

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Addressing a New York audience recently, Mr. A. R. Siddiqi declared that the Hindu-Muslim problem had been given importance out of all proportion and that it was a strictly domestic question.

This means more trouble for the Indian Information Bureau in America, as if Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit was not enough.

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Lord Halifax is reported to have had a forty-five minute conference with President Roosevelt.

We hope the noble Lord strongly urged upon the President the desirability of passing a Defence of America Rules to stop Mr. Drew Pearsons.

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Deeply concerned over the military and political difficulties of the Allies, a British paper asks if new life can be breathed into the "pallied frame of the Atlantic Charter."

Impossible. Nothing can be breathed into the frame for the very simple reason that the frame itself is non-existent.

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Among Drew Pearson's latest revelations is the report that President Roosevelt sent such a stiff telegram to Mr. Churchill that he didn't answer it.

Which is obviously absurd since, as everybody knows, nothing can choke up the British Premier.

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Turkey's break with Japan is, President Roosevelt explains, evidence of Turkey's desire for a rapid Allied victory.

Hope Comrade Stalin will be graciously pleased to note.

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"A U. S. lady tourist, on being asked her most thrilling sight in India, replied: "The Aga Khan by moonlight."

—"TIME" Magazine.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Honeymoons often are eclipsed by financial stringency.

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Only those who can enjoy dining on air can afford to trust to luck.

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It's always the man who doesn't want credit who can get it for the asking.

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One woman can call another "dear-ie" and make it sound like a swear word.

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A dead man is of as much use to the world as a lazy one—and he takes up less room.

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Nothing seems to please a woman more than to be able to say to a man: "I told you so."

BUILDING TOKYO UNDERGROUND

B-29 Raids Tell

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Japan News Agency reports that town planning experts have drawn up a scheme for the building of new Tokyo—underground—to avoid bombing damage. The plans, said the Agency, are already being put into execution.

The Agency said that the population of the central section of the metropolis would be transferred to the suburbs. The density of suburbs would be thinned out and commercial and business areas would be decentralised. The area of civilian homes burned down recently by B-29 raids has been included in the reconstruction plan as area for evacuation. Factories and shops would be constructed underground so that production would not be hampered by air raids. Main means of communication would run through a subterranean route.—Reuter.

Cold Wave In Kathiawar

(From Our Correspondent).

WADHWAN, Jan. 5.

In many parts of Kathiawar, atmosphere has totally changed and a cold wave has spread. Wheat, gram and other crops have suffered much.

Light Shower And High Wind In Surat

SURAT.

For the past four days, temperature over the Surat District was very low. On Thursday, Surat city experienced a light shower, attended by high wind.

According to Broach reports, similar weather conditions prevail in the district. The Kanam area of Broach had an untimely rainfall.—A. P.

RAMAN TO ADDRESS COLLEGIANS

(From Our Correspondent)

INDORE, Jan. 5: It is reliably learnt that Sir C. V. Raman, has given his consent to address the Holkar College students on the occasion of the social gathering function to be held on January 10, 11 and 12. He will give a popular scientific lecture on Diamond through lantern.

ALLIES LAND ON AKYAB: RAID SUMATRA TWICE

Japs Massing Three Lakhs Forces For Fresh Drive In Central And South China

CHUNGKING, January 5: From Reuters' Correspondent, Three hundred thousand Japanese are regrouping and reorganising in Central and South China, said a Chinese military spokesman today.

He believed that the next likely moves of these Japanese armies would be firstly to attempt to seal the remaining gap in the Canton—Hankow railway and secondly transfer of troops to the coastal areas to meet the American threat to the Pacific.

LULL IN KWANGSI CONTINUES

Meanwhile, the lull continues in Kwangsi Province where the Chinese and Japanese face each other around Hochih, 135 miles south-east of Kweiyang.

The spokesman revealed that a small force of Japanese were still resisting inside Wanting on the Chinese-Burmese border, the recapture of which was announced by the Chinese High Command on Thursday. The city is firmly in Chinese hands, the remaining Japanese now being mopped up, the spokesman declared.

LONDON, Jan. 5: Tokyo radio, quoting a Japanese official communique says 80 carrier-based Allied aircraft yesterday attacked the northern part of Sumatra. An Allied naval formation was earlier observed north-west of Sumatra.

Following the carrier-based attack, 50 American bombers escorted by fighters, again attacked the island of Sumatra.

Reuter adds that the north-west portion of Sumatra lies parallel to the Malay Peninsula separated by the 100-mile wide Malacca Straits.

ALLIES LAND ON AKYAB ISLAND

ARAKAN, Jan. 3.

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The enemy has withdrawn taking with him as much collie class local population as they could. But the attempt to take with them educated middle class men failed, as the latter refused and are reported even to have threatened to resist with force.

RE-OPENING OF BURMA ROAD.

N. Rajamani, A.P.I. special correspondent at General Sultan's Headquarters, says, Allied forces on Salween and Burma fronts are moving towards each other to re-open the Burma Road not very far from each other.

SEAC COMMUNIQUE

KANDY, Jan. 5: To-day's SEAC 'communique' said: FIFTEENTH INDIAN CORPS: On Morning of January 3, our forces landed on Akyab Island.

The troops landed on the northern beach from naval craft. More troops crossed the four-mile stretch of water from Foul Point and others crossed in local boats from Kudaung Island at the mouth of Mayu River further east.

There was no opposition and the island is firmly in our hands.

FOURTEENTH ARMY: A bridgehead has been established across the Mu River to the north and south of Yeu in face of enemy opposition.

NORTHERN COMBAT AREA: Chinese troops on the Namhkam Road gained two miles yesterday.

HOW THEY LANDED

British and Indian troops of Fifteenth Indian Corps commanded by Lt.-Gen. Sir Philip Christison, made successful landings on Akyab Island.

Early on the morning of January 3 troops crossed the narrow stretch of water from Kudang Island in local boats and landed on Akyab in the area of the Padali ferry on the north-east side of the Island. Commando forces invaded the beaches at the western outlet of the Mingan Chaung and troops carried in H. M. ships and craft of the Royal Indian Navy landed on the north-east coast of Akyab.

RESULT OF AIR VICTORY

Akyab is a triumph for the troops who for nearly three years and two monsoons sweated it out in their Arakan, says a Press Note from United States Forces India-Burma Theater. Its acquisition is the result of air victory, and, in the climax of its occupation, a major success for Maj.-Gen. George Stratemeyer's Eastern Air Command.

VALUE OF AKYAB

Akyab Island has an all-weather airfield was a stopping place on the old Imperial Airways route between Britain and Australia. Akyab also has seven fairweather strips from which fighter aircraft will be able to operate. It has been used as a seaplane base, too. The port itself is accessible to London class cruisers of 10,000 tons displacement.

Akyab controls the entrance to the Kaladan River in the south, and the waterways which run north-eastwards to the Japanese base of Myehaung; in the north it commands the entrance to the Mayu River by which steamers can go to Rathedaung and Buthidaung.

Supplies for our forward troops can now be sent from India by sea to Akyab from whence they can be sent by river to the nearest roadhead.

FORMER JUDGE ARRIVES

A few hours before the first British and Indian troops landed on Akyab Island, its former Judge, now Royal New Zealand Air Force Wing Commander, J. B. G. Bradley, flew in, landing in a light aircraft on the strip which villagers had made serviceable by removing poles the Japanese had fixed in the ground.

The inhabitants told him how the Japanese, having to abandon large quantities of rice poured kerosene over it. All roofing material, such as corrugated iron and timber, was removed.

IMPORTANCE OF AKYAB

When the British withdrew from Akyab in 1942 the port practically was left intact. Besides, the seaport Akyab was important airport being a stage for India-Australia airliners in peacetime. Thanks to the effective work by Allied bombers the Japs hardly have been able to make use of Akyab as airbase.

The fifth largest town in Burma and Headquarters of Arakan Division, Akyab before the war had a population of 30,000 plus the floating population of 9,000.

BR. FORCES LAND IN AKYAB

The first representatives of the British forces to land in the interior of Akyab Island after the troops went ashore were the air and army officers in charge of the operations, says a Press Note issued by Air Command Headquarters. They were Lt.-Gen. Sir A. F. P. Christison, 15th (Indian) Corps Commander, Air-Marshal W. A. Coryton, Air Commodore, the Earl of Bandon, Commanding an R.A.F. group in the Arakan, and Group Captain W. D. David, Air Liaison Officer to the Corps Commander.

ACHIEVEMENT OF R. I. N.

AKYAB, Jan. 5.

The fall of Akyab was hastened by sea-borne raids at adjacent points along the Arakan coast. Troops were taken by the Arakan coastal forces to places where they could be landed to make tip-and-run slashes at the Japs, whose attention was already fully occupied by the land forces moving steadily down the Mayu Peninsula.

For the Japs the Arakan coastal forces have been a constant menace. For the R.I.N. this phase of the war has been a brilliant opening chapter which promises a big share in the eastern battles which have yet to come.—A. P.

MAYU CLEARED OF JAPS

The capture of Akyab Island will have meant an achievement of the main objective of Arakan operations by the Fifteenth Corps. The whole of Mayu Peninsula is now cleared of the Japanese, except for two small isolated Jap pockets on Mayu range, where they marooned themselves in desperate straits. The next job now for Allied forces in Arakan front is of clearing the country east of the Kaladan River to which retreating Japanese fled and West Africans were already on it.

Churchill's Personal Representative In India

NEW DELHI, Jan. 5.

Within a week of Mr. Churchill's announcement of the appointment, Lt.-Gen. Charles J. S. King, the Prime Minister's Personal Representative on Welfare Matters, arrived in India. After preliminary talks at New Delhi he left almost immediately for Kandy.—A.P.

MIAN IFTIKHARUDDIN

LAHORE, Jan 5: The parole period of Mian Iftikharuddin, President of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, has been further extended by the Punjab Government until January 18. He was released from jail some months ago on account of ill-health.—A. P.

WANTED HUR LEADER ARRESTED

KARACHI, Jan. 5: A notorious Hur leader, Pir Sirai, who was wanted in connection with a number of dacoities in the Shikarpur district was arrested by the police. A reward of Rs. 2,000 was offered for his arrest. He was secured before but managed to escape.—United Press.

"MERI BAHEN" RELEASED AT CENTRAL

"Naujavan" Change Vindicated: Attractions Of "Jwar Bhata": Quiet Success Of "Dassi"

By T. V. P.

Quite an enthusiastic reception was given to "Meri Bahen" of New Theatres which was released yesterday at Central. Saigal who plays the brother is found to be in excellent form both in point of adequate acting and exquisite music. The little sister is played by Akhtar Jehan, who is a smart girl. Quite attractive is Sumitra Devi who plays the heroine. Chandravati, Nawab, Debi Mukherji and others are in their appropriate places.

Punkaj Mullick who is music director has given some very fine music. The music of "Meri Bahen" will probably be the best of all the films now running at the various Bombay theatres.

"Vish Kanya" released at Royal Opera House and "Adab-Arz" released at Taj have also met with good public reception.

"Naujavan" Changes Welcomed

The revised edition of "Chal Chal re Naujavan" which Filmistan issued last Saturday, has more than justified the pains and expense that it involved. The new 'Naujavan' is more satisfying.

Jagdeesh

It is interesting evidence of the keen interest of the public in film affairs, that the changes made in the 'Naujavan' were eagerly noticed and quickly appreciated. It is also an index to the popular temper that audiences welcome the survival of Savitri (Motiba) instead of her death, not so much for her own sake as for her husband Jaipal (Jagdish).

"Dassi" Stays A Winner

The Pradhan picture 'Dassi' continues to perform the remarkable feat of drawing steadily good houses even on reaching its 'twenties.' Ragini now ranks among the popular star favourites; and Daisukh Pancholi, famed as Producer, now shines as a screenplaywright.

Sumitra in 'Meri Bahen' at Central

Badriprasad as Dharmaraj in 'Draupadi' at Imperial

Attractions Of 'Jwar Bhata'

Of the many attractions of 'Jwar Bhata', produced and directed by Amiya Chakrabarty, the rich cast of its artistes is a major one. Apart from the two new stars and two already favourite leading artistes, the picture has a fine support from a team of veterans led by Mumtaz Ali and including, P. F. Pithawala, Arun Kumar, K. N. Singh, Jagannath Amora, Vikram Kapoor and Naseem Loona. The picture which is drawing large crowds at Majestic in the sixth week of its successful run.

Wadia's 1945 Programme

Mr. J. B. H. Wadia has announced two big musicals as his 1945 offering "Piya Milan" is already under production and Director S. M. Yusoof is making rapid progress towards its completion. 'Piya Milan' co-stars Motilal and Nirmala with Najma, Baby Shakuntala, Mirza Musarraf and others. Mr. Feroze Nizami is giving music.

The other picture 'Sharbati Anklen' is to be directed by Ramchandra Thakur. The story is being supervised by Gujarat's well-known dramatist Prabhuram Dwivedi.

Musical Comedy "Chand"

'Chand', at Krishna, is entitled to move than passing attention, primarily because it is a Prabhat picture. It is a Prabhat tradition that each production should make an individual contribution to the progress of film art or craft. To author-director D. D. Kashyap goes the privilege of doing the Prabat part of progress in 'Chand', which marks a new turn in musical comedy scenarios. The little boy Balakram is a discovery in filmdom.

Balakram

Among the popular favourites now running are 'Lal Haveli' at Capitol, 'Gaali' at Laminton, 'Parbat pe Apna Dera' at Novelty, 'Lalkar' at West-End, 'Shakuntala' at Swastik, 'Draupadi' at Imperial, 'Ma Bap' at Kamal and 'Ramrajya' at Super.

Shamim in 'Jwar Bhata' at Majestic

Sharp Anglo-U. S. Differences Alleged

OPPOSITION EMBODIED IN MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED BY HALIFAX

"Britain Opposes Increment Of Supplies To Italy": Stettinius Denies Allegations

NEW YORK, January 4.

Columnist Drew Pearson published in "New York Daily Mirror" on Wednesday the text of a confidential document which he says the British Ambassador, Lord Halifax, has given the State Department dealing with the sharp divergence of opinion between British and the United States over the feeding of Italy.

Pearson states that the document was an Aide Memoire which declared that the British opposed the American plan to increase supplies.

Pearson quoted the document as declaring that, "If the United States Government were to indicate its intention of expanding the scale under which Italy can receive supplies there would be grave danger of divergence of policy between the United States Government on one hand, and His Majesty's Government and our Allies on the other hand.

Such divergence would be bound in the opinion of His Majesty's Government to have far-reaching consequences for the whole settlement of Europe."

Pearson said that the document was delivered just before the last Quebec meeting but despite this President Roosevelt asked for 50 million dollars U. N. R. R. A. grant for Italy, sent a special envoy, Mr. Myron Taylor to the Vatican to get church assistance in distribution of food and sent a letter to the Army Secretary, Mr. Stimson, in which he personally assumed responsibility for increasing the rations of Italians.

Pearson said that secret talks had been going on for the last two weeks between the State Department and Mr. Richard Law, British Minister of State, and a representative on the Council of U. N. R. R. A.

WASHINGTON: United States Secretary of State, Mr. Edward R. Stettinius is expected to take immediate firm disciplinary action as a result of

LEAK SOURCE TO BE INVESTIGATED

More Drastic Action Anticipated

WASHINGTON.—Investigations are now going to determine what source in the American Government gave Drew Pearson the message from the United States Ambassador in Italy reproducing instructions given to General Scobie in Athens by Mr. Winston Churchill which Drew Pearson published recently.

In view of the more serious aspect of the present leak—in the "New York Daily Mirror"—more drastic action is anticipated.

The State Department correspondents were indignant last month at the release to another Washington columnist of the correspondence which passed between Mr. Carlton Hayes, the United States Ambassador in Madrid and General Franco. Also still fresh in memory of every Washington correspondent is the fact the "New York Times," weeks before their official publication carried the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals. There is no tendency here to criticise newspapermen for publishing what officials gave them. It is pointed out that legislation is necessary to bring United States security regulations regarding official documents into line with British regulations.

An article in the "Saturday Evening Post" says: "England has an Official Secrets Act which prohibits a public servant, on the pain of punishment, from letting out Government secrets for publication."—Reuter.

In Italy

ALLIED PROGRESS NORTH OF FAENZA

Battle For Adriatic Coastline Intensifies

Allied Headquarters, Mediterranean, Jan. 5: To-day's (Friday's) Allied 'communique' said: "Fifteenth army group: Northwest of Ravenna, Canadian troops made further progress against fierce opposition. Leading Canadian armour and infantry have reached Canale Bonifica, one mile south of the River Reno. A number of strong enemy counter-attacks have been repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.

Good progress has also been made north of Faenza where our troops have greatly reduced the German pocket east of the Senio.

On the Fifth Army Front, patrols have been active.

CANADIAN ADVANCE

From Reuter's Special Correspondent, Fifteenth Army Group Headquarters, Italy, Jan. 5: On the Eighth Army's front, the battle for the Adriatic coastline intensified yesterday just south of Valli di Comacchio Lagoon.

Leading Canadian armour and infantry have now reached a point one mile south of River Reno, Field-Marshal Kesselring's last major water barrier guarding the right flank of Bologna.

Pressing forward on the lateral roadway from Conventello, the Canadians also reached Canale Bonifica one and a half miles southwest of Alberto where an important canal bridge was captured intact.—Reuter.

DHARWAR DT. CO-OP. CONFERENCE

DHARWAR, Jan. 5: The Dharwar District Co-operative Conference will be held at Navalgund on January 10 under the Presidentship of Sir Siddappa Kambli, ex-Minister of Bombay. An agricultural show will be inaugurated on the occasion by H. E. the Governor of Bombay.—A. P.

All-India Yoga Mahasabha

A decision to form an All-India Yoga Vyayama Mahasabha was taken at the All-India Ayurvedic Congress held at Beswada with Mr. Jugal Kishore Birla as provisional president and Yogi Kuvalayananda of Poona, Prof. Ghosh of Calcutta and Dr. A. Lakshmipathi as provisional secretaries.

BIG NIGHT FOR ENSA

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5: Monday night, January 8, is for ENSA in India and SEAC an eventful night in that a full London company opens in a new play by a famous playwright—"How Are They At Home" by J. B. Priestley. It also is the occasion for the change of name from the ENSA theatre to the ENSA Garrison Theatre necessitated by the take-over of BESA by ENSA.—A. P.

Halifax Confers With Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan 4: Lord Halifax to-day conferred for 45 minutes with President Roosevelt discussing among other topics the Big Three meeting.

Asked whether they discussed any of the widely publicised Anglo-American Foreign Policy differences Lord Halifax said: "Not much".

Further questioned he admitted there was some "exchange of thoughts" on the Polish and Greek questions.

President Roosevelt will include a comprehensive discussion of foreign affairs in the annual message to Congress on Saturday.

It is unlikely, however, that he will attempt to define the United States policy towards current European political problems.—Reuter.

Columnist Drew Pearson's reproduction of the text of an alleged confidential document given to the State Department by Lord Halifax.

The action will probably be aimed at tightening up the whole security system of the Department which Pearson has publicly ridiculed. Intense indignation is expressed in official circles at the "leakage." The document is universally accepted as authentic.

"NO DIFFERENCES"

The Secretary of State, Mr. Stettinius, at a Press Conference today denied the existence of any "major differences between the British and ourselves" in a series of discussions which he disclosed had been proceeding between British and American officials regarding supplies to Italy.

Following the publication by the newspaper columnist, Drew Pearson, of 'aide memoire' submitted by the British Ambassador to the State Department on August 22nd, the Secretary of State issued an excerpt from the official correspondence and said the document published in the excerpt was "part of the confidential records of the department."

"Unauthorised publication of any part of it is in the highest degree regrettable and the matter is being pursued" he said.

Referring to the statement issued by Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt on September 26th, presenting the agreed policy of the two governments concerning relief in Italy Mr. Stettinius said: "A series of discussions have taken place between British and American officials concerning the methods of implementing a joint policy.

There have been no major differences between the British and ourselves in these discussions and they have resulted in substantial agreement between the two governments.

It is perfectly clear that the United States and the United Kingdom Governments are in basic agreement in their desire to provide assistance to enable the Italians to start rebuilding their economic life and furnish the maximum contribution to the war effort.

UNJUSTIFIED IMPRESSION

It is especially regrettable that as generally happens when excerpts of documents or one or a series of documents is published without authorisation, erroneous and unjustified impressions have been created."

Of Lord Halifax's 'Aide Memoire' Mr. Stettinius said, "It cannot fairly be appraised out of the context of those series of documents and the conversation which led up to the Churchill-Roosevelt statement." For example Mr. Stettinius said, the 'Aide Memoire' contained the following: "The question of the expansion and scope of the Italian supplies programme is already under considera-

SUBBAROYAN'S PLEA FOR JAIL DELIVERY

"Key To Friendship Between Asia & Europe"

COLOMBO, Jan. 5.

Dr. P. Subbaroyan, former Congress Minister, Madras, Mr. Bankim Mukherjee, M.L.A., Vice-President, All-India Trade Union Congress and Mr. S. Mirajkar, Assistant Secretary, All-India Trade Union Congress, arrived here today to attend the special session of the Ceylon Trade Union Federation. Dr. Subbaroyan has come on a special invitation of the Federation while the others are among the fraternal delegates from the Indian Trade Union movement.

Stressing that Indian Congress leaders should be released for creating a proper atmosphere in India, Dr. Subbaroyan said, "The solution of the Indian problem is the key to friendship between Asia and Europe."

Mr. Mukherjee, who is visiting Ceylon for the first time, said, "It is not the gulf of Mannar which separates India from Ceylon but the gulf created by imperialism in the minds of the people. Both the countries ought to know that they can achieve freedom by united effort"—A.P.

Music Unites Them All

Radhakrishnan's Appeal To Artistes

CALCUTTA, Jan. 5.

Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, presiding over the second session of the All-India Music Congress, which commenced here to-day, said that the tradition of this country had been a tradition common to all races and communities—a tradition to which everyone had made effective contribution. Here in this Music Congress, it had been possible for all of them—Hindus and Muslims—to come together on a common platform and produce that psychological make-up which would take shape in political expression. It had given an impressive testimony to the unity of Indian culture at a time when separate standing was found so much in politics and other regions. Sir Sarvapalli appealed to the musicians to mould the public taste, instead of being moulded by them. The Congress, in a resolution, decided to appoint the Indian Universities to adopt classical Indian music as a subject in their curriculum for the benefit of University students. It also requested the music institutions in different provinces to affiliate themselves to their respective Universities for the co-ordination of the study of music.

Mrs. Naidu, who was to inaugurate the proceedings could not do so owing to indisposition.—A.P.

BERLIN BOMBED

LONDON, Jan. 5

Last night two forces of mosquitoes attacked Berlin. The first force was over the capital just before 20.00 hours and the second some three and a half hours' later.—Reuter.

Khan Saheb On Soviet Victories

LAHORE, Jan. 5

Dr. Khan Sahib, ex-Premier of the Frontier Province, who left for Peshawar this morning after a week's stay in Lahore, issued the following statement:—

"Imperialist intrigues in Greece are opening the eyes of the freedom-loving world and they cannot interfere with the people's struggle for freedom."

Welcoming the Soviet victories he said: "I am surprised that certain people calling themselves nationalists are suffering from the illusion that the success of Soviet Russia will strengthen Imperialism. An honest on-looker can at once see that the success of the Soviet forces will bring freedom and peace to the whole world which others might dread."—U. P.

SELF-RULE FOR INDIA & FUTURE OF COLONIES

Issues Before Pacific Relations Conference

HOTSPRINGS, Jan. 5

Selfrule for India, organisation of post-war Japan and the future of the colonies in the Far-East are among the specific problems to be discussed by the Conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations which opens here to-morrow.

These will be part of discussions on "the broad aspects of security and economic well-being in the Pacific."

Delegates from all important geographical units of the Pacific will attend. The delegates will also try to work out a policy to be followed by the Far Eastern bloc of nations as a whole in post-war world organisation especially as outlined in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals.—Reuter.

Congress Volunteers' Social Gathering

The fourth annual social gathering of Congress volunteers will be held at Samarth Bharat Gymnasium, Dadar at 5-30 p.m. to-morrow (Sunday) when Mr. Nagindas T. Master, will preside and Mr. S. K. Patil will speak.

INDORE BANS LEAGUE AND STUDENT MEETINGS

INDORE, Jan. 5.

Two private meetings organised by the Students' Federation and the Muslim League at which Dr. K. M. Ashraf of the Communist Party of India, was to speak, were banned yesterday by the Indore Government under Rule 56 of the Defence of India Rule. Orders were also served in this connection on the owners of the two halls where the meetings were to be held asking them not to allow the use of their halls for the meeting.—United Press.

MUSIC COLLEGE FOR MYSORE

Sangeeta Ratna T. Chowdiah in the course of an appeal to all art-lovers and artistes for funds for starting a Music College at Mysore under the name of "Sri Ayyanar Prasathita Sri Jayachamarajendra Kalasala" announces that the Mysore Government have been pleased to allot an extensive land free of cost for the construction of a suitable building, for the Music College. The opening ceremony of the College and the laying of the foundation-stone for the aforesaid college building will be held on 18th January.

A.-I. STATES' MUSLIM LEAGUE

NAGPUR, Jan. 5: The sixth annual session of the All-India States' Muslim League will be held at Lahore simultaneously with the session of the All-India Muslim League during Easter Week. The meeting of the Working Committee and Council of the All-India States' Muslim League will be held in New Delhi in the first week of February.—A. P.

Pictorial Publicity

METHODS DEMONSTRATED IN ART AND INDUSTRY EXHIBITION

How vitally is art connected with industry and commerce is clearly demonstrated by the All-India Art In Industry Exhibition which was declared open by the Bombay Governor on Wednesday. The Exhibition shows improvement in standards, and is organised on a scale which offers an opportunity to the observers to appreciate the values of various methods of pictorial publicity. One of its welcome features is the abolition of the system of inviting entries for specified purposes. "Support India's industries" is this time adopted as a general slogan for designs in important sections and emphasis is laid on originality.

The Exhibition has introduced a few new sections which include select industrial designs and also finished industrial products. Though special prizes for 'Maximum Indian Appeal' are awarded every year, one feels that the organisers ought to lay increasing emphasis on India's art traditions in the designs invited for textiles, interior decoration, furniture and other sections.

It is interesting to note that the students of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, have rendered a creditable account of their training in commercial art by securing three scholarships of Rs. 1,000 each and prizes amounting to Rs. 3,275. The distribution of prizes is liberal and very encouraging to the artists who are in touch with the current art movement. But the Exhibition has so far not extended its scope to the traditional designers and craftsmen who badly need encouragement. The display of a few finished products like the patoras of Pattan, Benares saris, brocade, etc., is a good beginning, but should not be an end of the move towards the unexplored direction. The Indian Institute of Art and Industry which is in the formative stage should absorb the manufacturers of such beautiful products and give liberal encouragement to them.

Posters are less prominent both as regards the quality and quantity. 'Support India's industries' group is small, and has a few exhibits like 'Keep Them Working' 53 by Mr. O. C. Ganguly which are worthy of notice. The Originality Group is larger and presents original work in some entries. A few posters in the outstanding productions are interesting. The section of presentation of consumer goods, trade mark, package, show card and letterhead is rich and varied in material. One is delighted to see fine designs, especially of show cards and packages in some exhibits. Messrs. Rebello and Das Guota deserve the prizes awarded to them.

The press and magazine lay-outs are conspicuous by their high standards. Entries like that submitted by Victor Fernandes indicate that the competitors have grasped the principles of the art of press publicity and are able to lay out advertisements which would be strong in appeal. Finished art work, typography and Hindi lettering show a few good entries. Commercial photography too has a few good prints like 159 and 162.

Calenders, Cinema slides and emblems are somewhat disappointing. There is room for improvement in the designs for furniture, interior decoration, carpets, curtains and furnishing fabrics. Textile designs are as usual numerous and varied, but they need strength by work of outstanding merits. If viewed in comparison to the few finished products like Benarese saris and patoras displayed nearby, the section will appear to offer scope for the development of the resources of indigenous designs.

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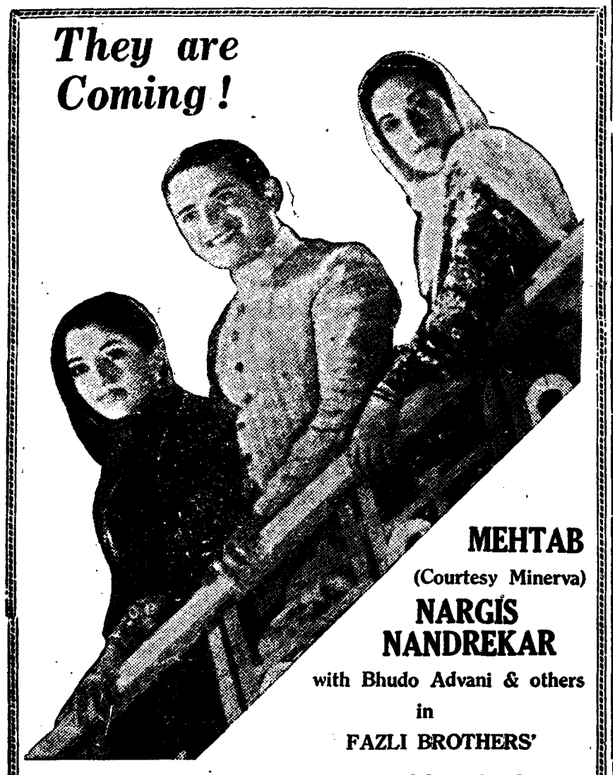

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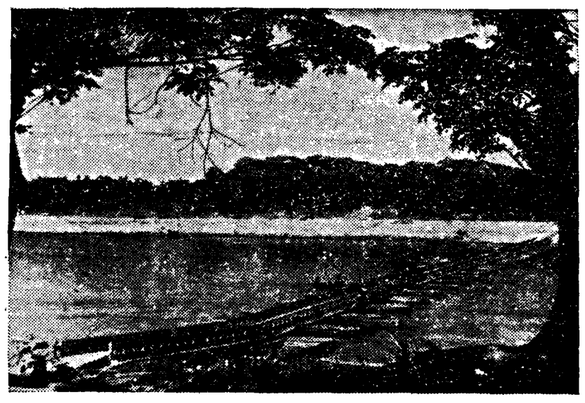

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YANKS RAID FORMOSA AND OKINAWA

Jap Power To Strike Retaliatory Blows "Still Lively" Says Stimson

PEARL HARBOUR, Jan. 4.

American planes have raided Formosa and Okinawa island for the second time in two days.

The raid carried out by carrier based planes, took place yesterday.

Admiral Nimitz Communique announcing the raid, said no details were available at present. Observers believe the American fleet is out in strength with the object of reducing Japanese strongpoints and air bases.

JAP RETALIATORY BLOWS

WASHINGTON: The United States Secretary for War, Mr. Henry Stimson, told a Press Conference that the power of the Japanese to strike retaliatory blows in the Philippines was "still lively" although no mention had been made in Allied dispatches concerning recent Japanese claims of sinking all but eight of 30 Allied transports attempting to reinforce the island of Mindoro in the Philippines, through the Sulu Sea, due north to the island.

Mr. Stimson said: "Our supply shipping to Mindoro must run through dangers of enemy air attack." 'We have taken the losses. There is no doubt however of our ability to sustain and reinforce our positions."

Mr. Stimson stated that United States air forces were already attacking from airfields in Mindoro.

JAP SHIPPING OFF LUZON ATTACKED

Thirty five Japanese ships were sunk or severely damaged when American planes again attacked Japanese shipping off Luzon. Japanese losses were 25. Merchant ships and transports, aggregating 57,000 tons a seaplane carrier, three naval escorts, one coster and five luzgers.

Liberators again attacked Clark airfield, destroying 20 Japanese planes.

CHINESE RECAPTURE WANTING

Japs Retreating In Disorder

CHUNGKING, Jan. 4: The recapture by Chinese of Wanting means that the last major obstacle to the re-opening of the Burma road has gone. The Japanese are reported to be retreating southward in disorder.

Wanting in west Yunnan on the Burma-China border was besieged for several weeks by American trained troops under the command of General Wei Li-Huang. Its fall concludes the eight months Salween campaign in which isolated Japanese garrisons were forced out of their strongholds in difficult terrain.—Reuter.

British Military Censorship, A Positive Danger

LONDON, Jan. 4: Lord Strabolgi told the Jewish Help All-Charities Association in London to-day that the degree of political censorship in the British military sphere in the Mediterranean and the Middle East was becoming a positive danger.

Information already known to the enemy was being kept from public. One could not be expected to fight this war in blinkers, he said.

Nor was the public allowed to know the cause of the difficulties between the British and the United States Governments, though both Greece and Palestine had become the bones of contention.—Reuter.

Worst Weather Ever Seen In Britain

LONDON, Jan 4.

American Eighth Airforce heavy bombers were kept on the ground today by bad weather over the Continent after twelve consecutive days of operations in some of the worst weather ever seen in Britain.—Reuter.

Surat Workers Support Appeal For Clemency

SURAT, Jan. 5.

A resolution appealing for mercy on the persons sentenced to death in the Ashti and Chimur murder case was passed at a meeting of the Surat Mill Workers Union yesterday.

A telegram of this effect has been sent to the Viceroy by the Union.—A. P.

NON-EUROPEANS CONFER IN CAPETOWN

Africans Want Indian Congress To Join Unity Movement

CAPETOWN, Jan. 4.

Over 200 Africans, coloured and Indians attended the unity conference sponsored by the non-European unity movement in Capetown today.

There were over 100 delegates from various non-European organisations.

The Chairman in an introductory speech said the three non-European sections, instead of each taking their own road, should come together to fight "discriminatory legislation and all measures which have the effect of keeping non-Europeans down."

After reading the Secretary's report there was discussion regarding the position of Indians in relation to the unity movement.

The report stated that every effort had been made to draw the South African Indian Congress into the movement, but that the present leadership of the Congress was "steeped in compromise" and "could not conceive of unity being anything more than useful lever wherewith to extract a few 'concessions' or conclude 'agreements' with the oppressors."

During the discussions, it was stated, all efforts to draw the South African Indian Congress into the unity movement had failed.

Mr. A. I. Kajee, the Chairman of the Natal Indian Congress, interviewed, explained that the Indians were prepared to make common cause with other non-Europeans on points of common interest and matters regarding which non-European organisations could take joint action. But Congress differed when it came to the methods of achieving the desired aims.

The question of franchise, particularly, was one on which Natal Indians could not make common cause with Coloureds and Africans. Indians unlike the Africans and the coloureds were merely asking for the restoration of a right taken from them and not for something they never had and were hardly likely to get.

RESTORATION OF STATE AUTHORITY PROMISED

Drive For Recapture Of Averoff Prison Ruins Begins

ATHENS.

General Plastiras told a Press Conference to-day that the objects of his Government would be the restoration of the power for the State, re-imposition of order, punishment of all those really guilty of crimes during the occupation, raising of moral values and measures to restore food supply and communication.

Averoff Prison Ruins

A drive for the re-capture of the ruins of the Great Averoff Prison in north-eastern Athens was begun by the British forces on Thursday. Latest reports say half the buildings have already been taken. A British column captured two big factory buildings in north-western Athens.

Onomias Square Cleared

British forces have cleared Onomias square where "ELAS" forces have been holding out since the beginning of the civil war. The neighbouring areas have also been cleared in the face of fierce opposition.

It is reported that two British officers and seven civilians were killed by "ELAS" mortar bombs in Constitution square this morning.—Reuter.

King Nominates Bishop Of London To Succeed William Temple

LONDON, Jan. 4.

The King has nominated the Right Reverend Geoffrey Francis Fisher, Bishop of London, for election by the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury in place of the late William Temple as Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England and Metropolitan.

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

Statement of the Position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 29th December.

Demand Liabilities in India	616,09,17,000
Time Liabilities in India	202,92,15,000
Cash in India:	
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	29,82,46,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	2,03,80,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	60,08,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	73,60,16,000
Advances in India	235,79,94,000
Bills Discounted in India	13,41,02,000

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Jan. 4

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 41 January quoted fob. Wheat Australian (Bulk) 45 Jan-Feb quoted fob. Wheat Australian (Bags) 48 Jan-Feb. quoted fob.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Jan. 4.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £72-3/4. Consols 2-1/2 p c £82-1/4. Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £106-9/16. War Loan 3-1/2 p c £104-7/16 Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £113-3/4. Victory Bonds 4 p c £114 Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £10-9/16. Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London reg.). ££1-1/2. National Bank of India £42

Chaplin Paternity Case Jury Reaches Deadlock

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.

The jury, considering the verdict in the Charles Chaplin Paternity Case, was dismissed today when it reported that it had reached a hopeless deadlock. Henry Willis, Superior Judge, declared a mis-trial.

The jury—five men and seven women—reached a deadlock when it was found that seven were of one opinion and five of another. Six women and one man were in favour of declaring that Charles Chaplin was not the father of Joan Barry's little daughter, Carol Ann, and four men and one woman held he was the father.

Attorney Joseph Scott, representing the baby said he would immediately reinstitute the action.—Reuter.

ALLIES MAY WITHDRAW FROM ITALY'S CIVIL MATTERS

ROME, Jan. 4.

Harold MacMillan, Acting President of the Allied Commission in Italy, told a press conference in Rome to-day he expected British and American Governments soon to make a joint announcement affording more precision on Italy's problems and he confidently looked forward to complete agreement.

Allied circles here think it likely every effort will be made to increase the Italian Government's responsibility and withdraw Allied intervention as far as possible in civil matters.—Reuter

COLABA OBSERVATORY RECORDS QUAKE SHOCK.

BOMBAY, Jan. 5.

An earthquake shock of slight intensity with its epicentre about 1030 miles away from Bombay was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory at 11-45 a.m. I.S.T. on January 4.—A. P.

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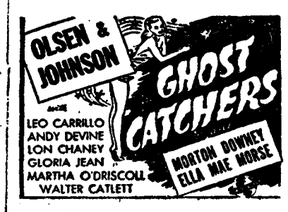

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FURTHER RISE IN STEEL SHARES

DECLINE IN GOLD AND SILVER

Cotton Rules Steady

Bombay, Jan. 5.

There was a further rise in Steel shares on the Bombay Stock Exchange where Tata Steel Dfds. after touching Rs. 2335 closed at Rs. 2320 and Ordinary Shares after reaching Rs. 435 closed at Rs. 431. Cotton mill shares also ruled steady. Banks and Insurance issues were steady while A. C. C. was firm at Rs. 258/4, 3½ per cent. Paper was quoted at Rs. 99/14/6.

The Bullion market opened very steady but reports of increased sales of gold induced general long liquidation which resulted in a steady decline in quotations of both gold and silver.

During the early part of the session, cotton was quiet but later on received improved support and early loss was recovered. Produce market was quiet with a restricted turnover.

The Share Bazar was very steady to-day with active buying in Steel Shares, which recorded sharp rise Tata Steel Dfd. Shares opened at Rs 2,247, and improved to Rs. 2,296 under moderate buying but realising sales appeared and quotation declined to Rs. 2,287. At this level some unfounded rumour influenced active buying and the market flared up and Dfd. Shares were placed at Rs. 2,320, Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 426 and moved up to Rs. 433. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1,655 and improved to Rs. 1,961. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 653 and steadied at Rs. 656. Associated Cement Shares were placed at Rs. 257 while Scindia Shares moved up to Rs. 37/10. The undertone of the market was firm.

Bombay Dyeing (25) 1960 Century (12) 920 Nagpur (10) 440 Swadeshi (35) 590 New Great (25) 441/8 Simplex (14) 289/8 Kohinoor (12) 657 Colaba (10) 239/8 Gokak (6) 331/8 Phoenix (30) 645 Mysore (8) 335 Indian Bleaching (8) 189 Swan (35) 346 Finlay (25) 338 Morarjee (20) 707/8

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord (23) 431 Tata Steel Dfd (129/8/9) 2320

ELECTRIC

Tata Hydro (4/8) 208/8 Andhra (40) 1812/8 Tata Power (45) 1912/8 Tram Ord (2/8) 151/8

CEMENT

Associated Cement (7) 258/4

INDUSTRIES

Burma (7/8) 520 Alcock (10) 461/4 Bellapur (9) 235/8 Shivrajpur (3/4) 61/12 Steamer (20) X.R.X.D. 610 Prem Const (2/15) 230

MILLS CASH

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INSURANCE

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RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, Jan 5.

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Bharat 68
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Broadbury (Ord) 278/12
Central India (Ord) 440 40/8 40
Central India (Pref) 741/4
Century 920
Colaba 238/8
Edward Textile 815
Espinstone (Ord) 97 96
Espinstone (Pref) 127-8
Finlay 335
Gokak 331/8
India United Defd 3/6 3/5/3 3/3/9
India United Ord 16/15 16/13 16/16
Indore 823/12 20 35
Khatau 372/8
Kohinoor 661 56 54 57
Luxmi 1385
Madhusudan 475
Meyer 232/8
Minerva 275
Model 273/12 71/4
Morarjee 727/8
Mysore 333/12 36/4 35
New City 427/8 26/4
New Great 436 41/8
Phoenix 645
Podar 382/8
Rajabhadur Poona 137/8
Sassoon Cotton 24/8
Shrinivas 390
Simplex 286 89/8
Swadeshi 590 56 90
Swan 346
Tata Mills 72/8 73/4 72/12 73 72/8
Vasanu 901/4

BANKS:

A. B. C. Bank 34/4
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Ahmedabad 220
Ajmer 10
Andhra Valley 1812/8
Tram (Ord) 151/8
Tram (Pref) 71/12
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Gold & Silver

The local bullion market is now guided mainly on the extent of daily sales of Gold and Silver by the Bank. The premiums for spot quotations have disappeared and normal state is restored with limited speculative interest. The steady expansion in currency is creating bullish feeling but sharp upturns are taken advantage to liquidate holdings. This state is likely to result in narrow fluctuations along with war news.

The Reserve Bank sold to-day 50,000 tolas Gold at Rs. 75/13 and 300 bars Silver at Rs. 130/6. It is reported that on Monday the Bank would accept tenders for 75,000 tolas Gold and this increase in quantity had depressing effect on the local market.

Forward Gold opened at Rs. 75/6 and declined to Rs. 74/12 and later steadied at Rs. 74/14. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 74/14. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 130 and eased off to Rs. 128/14 while ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 129.

Later on there was moderate short covering and there was a partial recovery closing quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	Rs.	129 15 0
Forward Silver	Rs.	129 13 0
Ready Gold	Rs.	75 4 0
Forward Gold	Rs.	75 4 0
Sovereigns	Rs.	51 0 0

BOMBAY COTTON

The market opened steady at Rs 445/8 for March delivery and declined to Rs. 443/8 on moderate liquidation It is said that there is utter absence of professional activity and the market is fluctuating within a narrow range. The immediate outlook is somewhat uncertain but in view of limited supply, the ultimate result will be higher prices and purchases should be made on good declines.

At the decline there was cessation of selling and under moderate buying March rallied to Rs. 445/8. The market steadied at this level but towards the close there was renewed buying on fears of frost and March improved to Rs. 451/8. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. March	450	0
I.C.C. May	460	8 0

COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton March contract is 800 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

	Hi.	Lo.	Close.
I.C.C. March	447/4	443/12	444/8
I.C.C. May	457	455	455/8

Karachi March 45/10/6 44/14/6 15/1/3

BOMBAY PRODUCE

The local produce market was quiet to-day with scattered selling and buyers were holding aloof. Groundnuts Marmugoa December-February were done at Rs. 14/12 while January-March business was done at Rs. 14/13/6. Khandesh quality was quoted at Rs. 14/13 and Bombay Bold were placed at Rs. 14/2 Castorseeds ready were quoted at Rs. 15/12 while business for January-March Marmugoa was done at Rs. 15/6. Linseed was quiet. O. P and U. P. was placed at Rs. 15/9. G. I. P. Stations was quoted at Rs. 15/4 and Mogiai quotation was Rs. 15/2. Tona was quiet.

BOMBAY SUGAR.

BOMBAY, Jan. 5.

Arrivals during the week totalled 40,000 bags and the weekly offtake was about 13,000 bags. Estimated Stock in Bombay is 52,000 bags. Controlled quotations Rs. 18/10/6, Rs. 18/11/9 and Rs. 19/1/3 for different qualities.

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS.

COLOMBO, Jan. 4.

Price of Rubber sheet eighty-two cents crepe eighty-three cents. Copra 67/00, Coconut 23/60.

BHUJ, Jan. 5.

To-day's Hundi rate of Koris Rs 339

Bullish Feeling On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

PRESSURE FOR UPWARD REVISION OF PARITY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.

The opening gains extended under the leadership of new crop positions on price-fixing and continued pressure for an upward revision of the parity price formula and the probability of increasing labour shortage owing to the calling up for military service. The advance was further influenced by reports that France has received grants for 180,000 bales. Prices continued steady with a predominance of bullish features and trade buying and fixations offsetting realising and hedges The market closed steady.

March opened at 22.10 and advanced to 22.15. The session closed at a net gain of 4 to 7 points. Spot Cotton price was unchanged at 22.50 c. per lb

NEW YORK COTTON

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January 22.00+04, March 22.15+04, May 22.09+07, July 21.78+06, October 20.93+06, January 20.86+04, March highest (10-54 a.m.) 22.15+04, March lowest (10 a.m.) 22.10—01, Middling Spot 22.50—.

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B. D. SARDESAI,
Secretary.

Construction House,
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Bombay, 3rd January, 1945.
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E. J. JENNER,
Dy. Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch (II), C.I.D.,
BOMBAY.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 1337 of 1937

Mrs. RITA MARGARET PINTO ..... Plaintiff.

Versus

MOOSAJI SHAIKH ESOOFALLY SULLEMANJI MALA & Ors. .. Defendants.

and

ABDULHUSSEIN JAFFERJI NALWALLA. Applicant & Assignee of Decree.

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale dated 20th March 1940 and Judge's Order dated 3rd March 1944 the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his office in the Court House on Tuesday 23rd January 1945 at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS.

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Dated this 28th day of November, 1944.

(Sd.) ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE

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PADAMSEY DAMODER GOVINDJEE,
Secretary.

Bombay, 6th January 1945.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DWARKADAS HARIVALLABHDAS MODY and SHANTILAL MAGANLAL MEHTA, two of the Executors of the last Will of the late Ratilal Chhaganlal Mody have contracted with our client for the absolute sale to him free from encumbrances the undermentioned property.

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Dated this 3rd day of January, 1945.

KHANDVALA & CHHOTALAL,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. NOORMAHOMED ABDULLA of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client the property more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder which he has agreed to purchase it from Haji Kassam Abdulla who in his turn has agreed to purchase from Mahomed Amin, Abdul Aziz, Mahomed Oomer, Abdul Kadar, Khatizabai and Zabunissa minor sons and daughters of Gulam Mohiudin Abubakar, deceased by their duly appointed guardian Kassam Mya Abdul Kadar.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1571 of 1942.

DHANSUKHLAL CHUNILAL MEHTA ..... Plaintiff

vs.

ALIMAHOMED RAHIMTOOLA VERSEY & Anr. .... Defendants

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale dated 31st January, 1944, the following immovable property subject to a charge for Rs. 10,000/- will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on Wednesday 31st January 1945 at 3 p. m. (S.T.)

PARTICULARS.

All that piece of land with a building thereon at Megre in Bombay Suburban District (on the corner of Amboli and Ghodbunder Road) and bearing formerly House No. 98 of the Notified Area Committee, Andheri and now Ville Parle Andheri Municipality House No. 1 Amboli and bearing formerly Survey No. 1, Pot Hissa No. 4 and 5 and Survey No. 1 Hissa No. 5 Survey No. 63 Hissa No. 1 Area 1|2 Guntha and 8 Gunthas, about 1027 square yards.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. Ranchhoddas & Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at No. 35 Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1944.

ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.
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